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Lovells Twp. gets funding assistance to buy new fire truck and pumper

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Fire fighting efforts by the Lovells Township Fire Department will get a boost, courtesy of a grant and low-interest loan from the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development operations in Michigan.

A total of \$140,000 has been allocated to the Township to purchase a new 1,000-gallon, four-

wheel-drive, fire truck and pumper.

The truck will be specially designed to carry more equipment and will be narrower and shorter than most fire trucks, making remote places more accessible for the volunteer fire fighters.

The grant portion of the funding amounts to \$15,000, while \$125,000 must be paid back over 15 years at 4.75 percent interest.

The Township will advertise for bids on building the custom fire

truck and expects delivery in about a year.

USDA Rural Development state director, Donald Hare remarked that without his agency's financing, many rural communities lack the funds to provide its residents with up-to-date fire fighting equipment.

According to Hare, the Lovells Township Fire Department services about 13,000 residents in Lovells, Frederic, Grayling, South Branch, Greenwood and Albert Townships.

Tax status of court workers questioned

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Crawford County Controller Paul Compo recently raised some questions about the tax status of two contracted 46th Circuit Court employees.

Using an Internal Revenue Service (IRS) test questionnaire, Compo discovered that, in many ways, the workers fit the description of employees rather than independent contractors.

"If the workers are determined to be employees by IRS standards, then FICA or Social Security taxes have to be paid," Compo said. "We are just trying to get a step ahead instead of having a surprise at the end of the year."

Compo asked the Crawford County Board of Commissioners to make a request to the Court asking that an IRS Form SS-8 be completed on the contract employees and returned to him for submission to the appropriate agencies.

According to Compo, the IRS will determine whether the workers are independent contractors or should be considered Court employees.

The questionnaire contains three

parts: basic questions, those concerning worker's compensation standards, and elements of independent contractor agreements.

There were 20 total questions in the first part of the questionnaire, ranging from whether the contract worker performs work on the Court's premises to how their wages are met, to whether the court has made a significant investment in the workers.

Of the 20 questions, one worker qualified as an employee under the IRS questionnaire's standards in 11 areas and as an independent contractor in four. Five of the questions' answers could not be determined clearly for the worker by Compo.

The second worker qualified as an employee in 14 instances on the questionnaire and as an independent contractor in only three areas. Compo found an additional three areas to be unclear for this worker.

Both workers are paid by the hour, week or month as an employee would be paid, unlike a contractor who would be paid a specific amount of money for a specific amount of time.

Under the heading of Worker's

Compensation Standard, Compo found that the first worker qualified as an independent contractor in five of seven instances, while questioning the remaining two areas. The second worker qualifies as an employee in one instance, as an independent in four instances and two areas are unclear.

Neither worker receives a 1099 form reporting compensation to the IRS each year, however they each have a written contract with the Court. Neither advertise that their services are available to others.

Under the final section of the questionnaire titled Elements of Independent Contractor Agreement, the first worker qualifies as an employee three out of six instances and the second worker, four out of six.

As independent contractors, the workers do not receive fringe benefits or have expenses paid for by the Court.

The Commissioners voted 6-0 honoring Compo's request to the Court. The Court is currently in the process of preparing the form.

Voter registration deadline and school election date draw near

With the June 14 school election just a little more than a month away, the Crawford AuSable School's Board of Education is reminding taxpayers to register to vote.

The last day to register is Monday, May 17 before 5 p.m.

Those living outside of the county are eligible to vote for two seats on the Board, as well as a \$14.94 million high school improvement bond issue, if they live within the

Bike rodeo is big splash



Bike Rodeo Photos by Ian Van Wallegghem

NO DAMPENED SPIRITS - About 170 kids gathered in the rain at the AuSable Primary School parking lot on May 8 for the 2nd Annual Bicycle Safety Rodeo. Kids had bikes tuned, seat heights measured and adjusted, and brakes checked. They also learned about balance, control, stopping and hand signals, maneuvering corners and each participant received a free safety helmet. (Right) Zeek Millikin gets ready to ride the course.



Grayling Pride Day postponed due to rain

by Ian Van Wallegghem
Staff Writer

Grayling Pride Day, an annual event to cleanup the city in the first week of May, was washed out with long needed rain on Thursday, May 6.

This year, the Grayling Promotional Association (GPA) coordinated the effort with AuSable Primary and Grayling Elementary School students.

About 150 children were scheduled from the two schools. They will be rescheduled depending on their school arrangements.

The weather caused the GPA to change their plans for any day of the week when volunteers can work out a time to clean the various areas.

"Our goal is to try and encourage

residents to take pride in the community," said Chairwoman of the Beautification Committee, Tina Hamilton.

"We had planned on cleaning all areas that need attention, including the City Park, North Down River

Road, I-75 Business Loop between Michigan Avenue and M-72 West, Rite-Aid, and any other highly traveled areas," Hamilton added.

For more information on cleaning times and areas, call Hamilton at (517) 348-2921.

National Day of Prayer recognized in Grayling

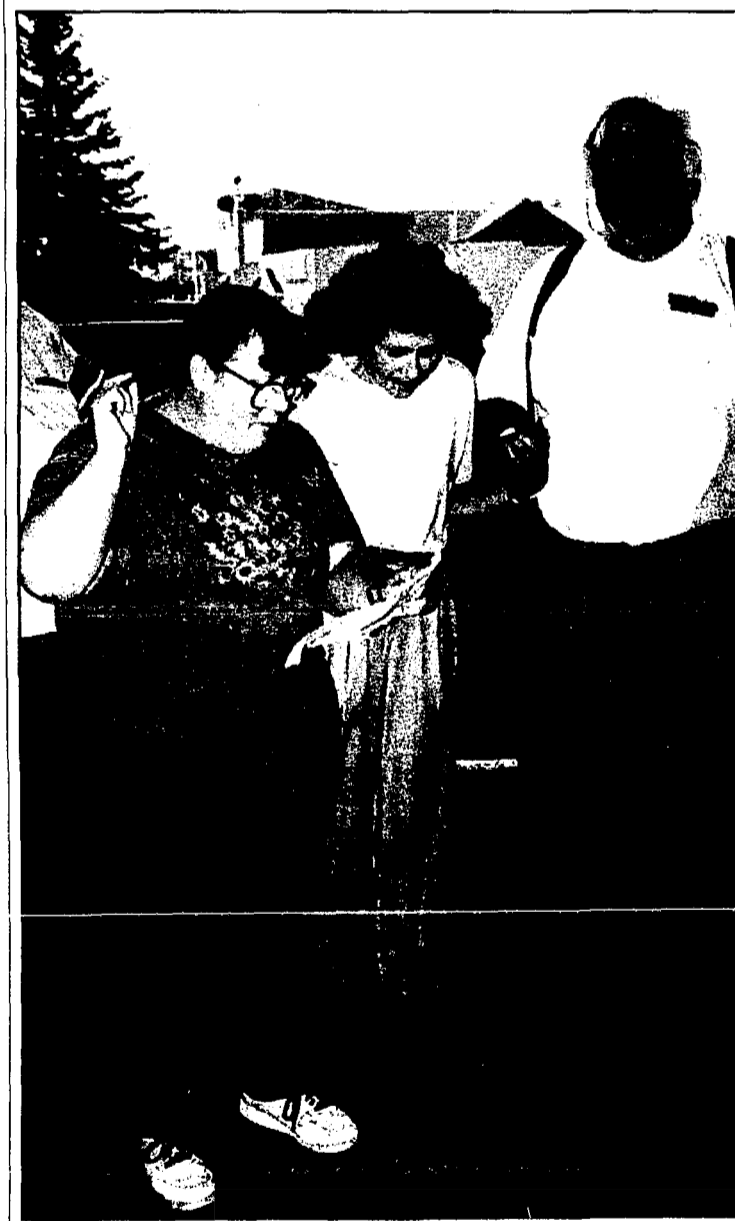


Photo by Cheryll Ruley

PRAYERFUL MOMENTS - For 20 minutes, without interruption, a group of 15-20 citizens and local clergy prayed for our community and nation last Thursday, May 6 in recognition of the National Day of Prayer. Prayers for rain were answered, as the skies opened up just moments after the event began, forcing the group to huddle under the overhang of Crawford County Courthouse instead of praying around the flagpole.

Poppy sale honors veterans

The ladies of the Grayling American Legion Auxiliary Unit 106 will honor American war veterans with their annual Poppy Sale, May 13-15. Poppies will be sold outside of Glen's Market, the Grayling Post Office, K-Mart and other places around Grayling on those dates.

The idea behind selling the artificial poppies, that most people hang from their vehicle's rearview mirrors or wear on their lapels, came from the poem, *In Flanders Fields*, penned by Lt. Col. John McCrae during World War I.

McCrae was a member of the first Canadian contingent, who visited Flanders fields where many of the war dead are buried and was inspired to write this poem. He died in France on January 28, 1928 after four years of service on the western front.

In Flanders Fields

by Lt. Col. John McCrae

In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place; and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.

We are Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.

Take up our quarrel with the foe;
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.

From *One Hundred and One Famous Poems*
by courtesy of Punch

Fire finally out at Camp's Range 40

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

After nearly a week, the fire at Camp Grayling's Range 40 is finally out. According to Major Tom Lamie, Public Affairs Officer for the Camp, about 3,975 acres burned.

"All but 11 of those acres were located inside the fenced impact area of the range," Lamie said. "The fire did not escape from Camp

Grayling property at any time."

The fire started Saturday, May 1 during firing exercises. Rainfall on May 6 and May 8 helped extinguish the remaining smoldering fire.

For a time, all pyrotechnics and mortar firings were discontinued. The Camp Commander, Col. Jerry McConnell then placed a ban on all firing until the dry conditions were remedied by rain.

County Chair to attend press workshop

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Crawford County Board of Commissioners Chairperson Lynnette Corlew will attend the MSU/MAC Local Government Official Spring Workshop entitled, "Dealing with the Media" on May 17 in Gaylord.

The Board approved the registration fee of \$40 for Corlew to attend

the workshop presented by Michigan State University and the Michigan Association of Counties.

Corlew commented she hasn't had any problems dealing with the media to date. However, she stated that she felt it would be advantageous to attend the workshop and become educated on the subject of dealing with the press, just in case a problem should arise in the future.

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Grayling Bridge added to MDOT's historical list

by Ian Van Wallegghem
Staff Writer

The Grayling Bridge, carrying the I-75 Business Loop over the AuSable River, has been designated as Crawford County's only historical bridge. The bridge is a 40-foot, steel stringer structure, featuring nine lines of rolled I-beams that carry the concrete roadway and sidewalks.

Flowing through the center of Grayling, the AuSable River had historically formed a major impediment to travel between the town's two sides. The first bridge was built across the AuSable in Grayling soon after the village's platting in the 19th century. Years of growth in the area eventually led to the need for a better bridge in the 1930s.

The current Federal Aid bridge was built in 1933, according to the plaques on both inner sides of the guardrails. It was opened in the summer of 1935 at a cost of \$13,700. The bridge received its historical status in 1998.

Developed as a special design, the Grayling Bridge is technologically significant as a developmental

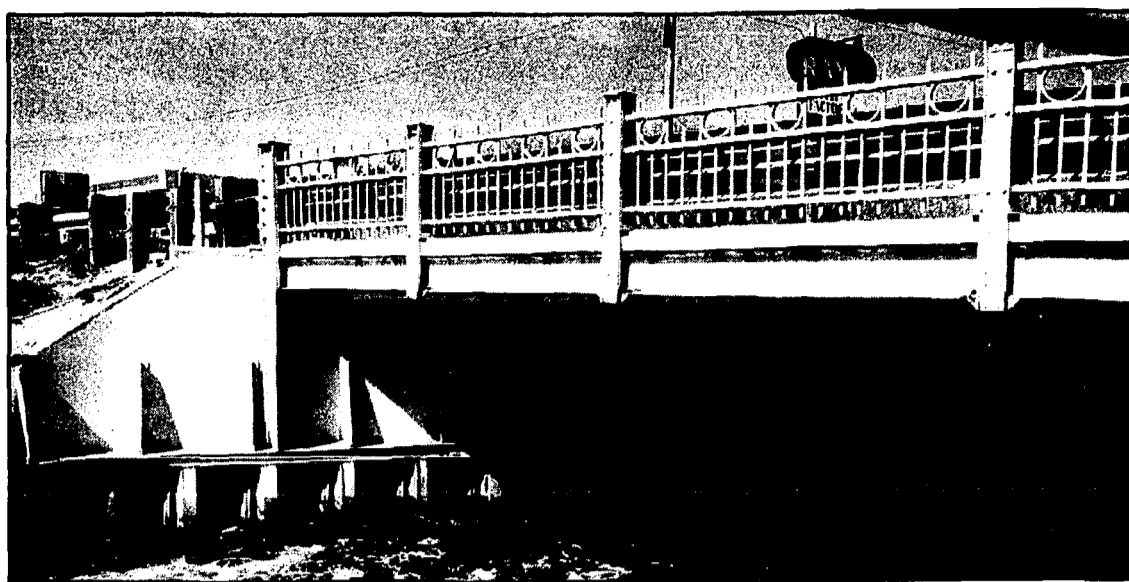


Photo by Ian Van Wallegghem

HISTORIC BRIDGE - Designated as the only historical bridge in Crawford County, the Grayling Bridge was built in 1933 at a cost of \$13,700, replacing the first bridge built to cross the AuSable River in Grayling in the 19th century.

design exercise by the Michigan State Highway Department (MSHD).

"This special design is best observed from the side or under-

neath the bridge where arches are supporting the deck," said Office of Communications' spokeswoman, Margaret Barondess. "This is the functional and most interesting area of the bridge," she added. The bridge design was not continuously used for various reasons, including expense, function, and safety with the least amount of materials. Such economic considerations made the design, "perhaps a failed experiment," said Barondess.

The otherwise plain bridge is aug-

mented by ornamental steel guardrails. Other than the installation of Armco guardrails inside the original rails, the Grayling Bridge remains in unaltered and physically good condition.

In the recently completed inventory, MDOT added 122 bridges to the historic bridge list, first established in 1985. The designated bridges were added to 116 from the 1985 inventory to reach a current total of 238 historic bridges. A bridge must be at least 50 years old and display a unique or distinguishing feature to qualify for the inventory.

DNR to unveil AuSable River Plan

On Saturday, May 15, the Department of Natural Resources will present its 1999 AuSable River Management Plan at a meeting of the AuSable North Branch

Association.

The meeting will start at 9 a.m. on Saturday at the Lovells Township Hall. Anyone interested is invited to attend.

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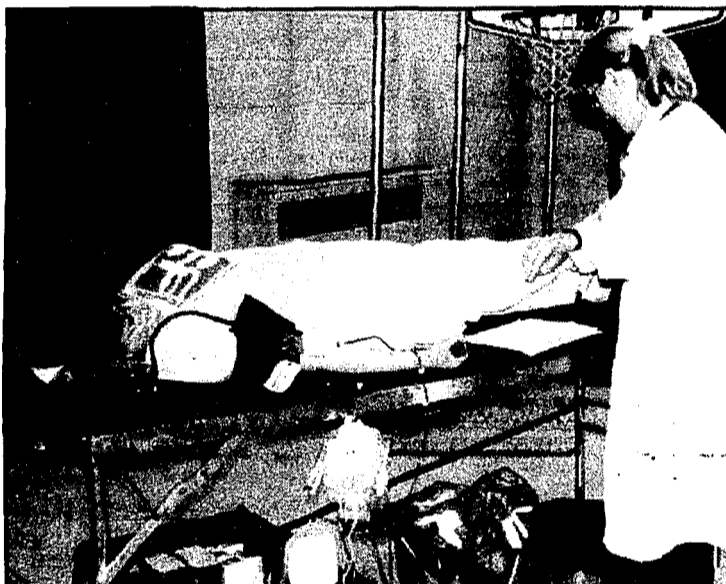


Photo by Ian Van Wallegghem

GOAL SURPASSED - The American Red Cross held its Frederic blood drive at the elementary school on May 6. Frederic Blood Drive Coordinator Shirley Schmooch said the community's goal of 30 donors was surpassed for the second time. Pictured here donating blood is Jodi Drogowski.

Kirtland opens auditions for summer play

The Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts (KCPA) announces the formation of its new community theatre group, Kirtland Center Players. The group will produce a dinner theatre production of *Bull in a China Shop*, directed by Clay Horton.

Auditions will be held on May 19 and 20 between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. at the G. I. Stewart Auditorium.

The auditions are open to anyone. There are five male and seven female roles available as well as a stage manager, assistant director and technical assistants.

The play will be performed on June 24, 25 and 26.

For more information about the play, auditions, or the Kirtland Center Players residents are asked to call (517) 275-5000 Ext. 397.

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'99 Warbler Festival set for May 22

Kirtland Community College's annual Kirtland's Warbler Festival, which is meant to coincide with the endangered bird's return to northern Michigan from its winter home in the Bahamas, is set for Saturday, May 22.

"There is no question about it. It's going to be our best festival to date. We have one of the most renowned wildlife photographers in the country as our Featured Photographer; one of the best wildlife artists in Michigan as our Featured Artist; and, as the Featured Presenter, we have a delightful artist, illustrator, author, and humorist," said Linda Barnes, Chairperson of the 1999 Warbler Festival.

The Featured Photographer of this year's festival is Carl R. Sams, II. His pictures have appeared in national and international publications, and he has won countless photography awards in America and overseas. "We consider ourselves very fortunate to have Mr. Sams as our Featured Photographer at this year's festival," said Barnes. "Our festival visitors will meet one of the world's best in Carl Sams."

Michael Glenn Monroe of Brighton, winner of several wildlife artist awards, will be the festival's Featured Artist. His realistic wildlife paintings have garnered him many honors throughout the years, the most recent being his acrylic painting for the 1997 Michigan Duck Stamp.

Featured Presenter "Buck Wilder," otherwise known as Mark J. Herrick, has delighted thousands of children and adults with his humorous presentations and his books on nature. During the past two years he has visited more than 200 schools around the country.

Joe Rogers, popular wildlife rehabilitation expert from Coleman, will return to the Warbler Festival for another one of his exciting "Michigan Birds of Prey" presentations. The event will feature live owls, hawks and eagles. This will mark Rogers' third consecutive trip to the festival. "His presentations always play to standing room audiences and we're very happy to know that he will be with us again this year," said Festival Chairperson Barnes.

Charles Fry, a Native American

storyteller known as "White Raven," will be a special guest this year, and Kim Williams, CEO of the Organization for Bat Conservation, will give a presentation with live bats.

Festival visitors will be entertained throughout the day by Miss Michigan candidate, featured singer Noddea Moore, singer-songwriter Jenny Mahan, Moses Brunk, Cindy Gibbs, the Sunrise Scholarship Pageant Players, and singing groups the Harmonie Meisters and the Northern Lights.

The AuSable Valley Fine Arts Exhibition, a juried month-long exhibit featuring Michigan artists, will return to the festival this year.

Arts and crafts vendors from throughout Michigan will participate in the festival's juried Nature Art and Craft Fair.

There are many activities and attractions for young people this year, including: Cameron the Giant Caterpillar, face-painting, the Kirtland's Warbler Maze, and meeting Smokey the Bear and Woodsy the Owl.

Several scout groups will be back this year to work on their outdoor

skills and to participate in the festival. Plus, area students will present research projects on the Jack Pine ecosystem in COOR's "Girls+Math=Choices" program.

This year's Warbler Festival raffle will award six different holiday vacation prizes, each of which includes two nights of accommodations; a meal gift certificate; canoeing, golf or fishing; and shopping certificates. Tickets sell for \$1 each or seven for \$5. Volunteers are currently selling tickets throughout Kirtland's district.

The Kirtland's Warbler Festival is dedicated to preserving the Jack Pine and AuSable River ecosystem and is sponsored by Kirtland Community College and supported by many public and private organizations, businesses and individual citizens from Kirtland's four-county district.

Anyone interested in working on the festival or making a contribution should contact the college at: 517-275-5121, ext. 347 (TTY ext. 721).

There is no admission charge for the event, and the festival is open to the public.

Reading goal puts Frederic principal on the roof

Ian Van Walleghem
Staff Writer

Frederic Elementary School students achieved their challenge from the school to read 3,000 books in the month of March (National Reading Month). If they read more than 3,000 books, Principal Melvin Nunn, agreed to conduct business on the roof.

The students, kindergarten through 5th grade, read 3,232 books in March and Principal Nunn ended up on the roof, instructing students at recess on May 6. "If that's all it takes to get them to read, I'd sit up here," said Nunn. On average, the students read approximately 600 books per month.

They have started an "accelerated reader" program at the school, as part of a Federal Program and the Michigan Educational Assessment Program (MEAP). In this case, students read 45 minutes a day and take a comprehension test on a computer when they are finished with the book. The third, fourth, and fifth graders have done it all year. In the second semester, fifth graders teach second graders and fourth graders teach first graders. This gives them a dedicated time to read at their own pace and what they want to read.

"We've seen great results and boosted performance from all students," said Title One Teacher, Cecilia Scow. "Students read at their own level and choose their

own titles. The premise is that kids read better by actually practicing. The reading levels are on the back of the books.

The school has 1,400 reading comprehension tests on their computers. When a student scores well,



Photo by Ian Van Walleghem

NUNN BUT THE BRAVE - Frederic Elementary School Principal Melvin Nunn holds up his end of a reading goal agreement with his students by taking a seat on the roof of the school last week.

the reading level is raised to give them a whole new perspective on reading. If a student requires help with reading, a teacher will assist them or read the book to them, depending on their reading level. "This year we've focused on reading and have seen dramatic gains and success," said Scow. "Students are highly motivated to read."

MEAP tests are statewide and all students take tests, but at varying grade levels. Schools are then compared statewide, based on MEAP scores. "It is a big change having kids read at their own levels. They have improved by leaps and bounds," said Scow. They are not only reading better, but actually enjoy it.

The students earn points for each book they read. At the beginning of each month, the school has an "accelerated reader store," where

students can buy prizes based on the points they have earned. Students can save or spend their points; with more points commanding better gifts.

Teachers have seen students gain confidence and learn to be lifelong readers through the program.

Card of Thanks

Sheriff Dave Lovely says thank you!!! The Bicycle Safety Rodeo, held May 8, was an overwhelming success, despite the weather, and the Crawford County Sheriff's Office would like to thank the organizations, businesses and individuals for their generous donations. It is support from our community, which enables this event to be held annually.

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- **Presentations** - Joe Rogers, with his live birds of prey; Kirtland's Warbler Tours; AuSable Valley Fine Art Exhibition; Buck Wilder; Nature Walk; Nature Arts/Crafts Fair & Sale; Horse-drawn wagon rides to Red Pine Preserve; Loon/Eagle/Owl Walk; Canoeing/Kayaking; Michigan Bats presentation; Photo Walk; Fly Fishing Demonstration; and AuSable River Canoe Paddle. **Children's activities:** Kids Fishing Pond; "Cameron," the Giant Caterpillar; Kirtland's Warbler Maze; Children's Tent; "Woodsy the Owl" & "Smokey the Bear;" Boy Scout projects; and, scores of presentations on wildlife and nature including eagles, hawks, "bug safari," landscaping, "gems & rocks," "Warbler's World," and much more.
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OPINIONS



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Errant NATO bomb triggers new crisis

ONE AMERICAN adventure in crisis on foreign soil apparently isn't enough.

Now we may be faced with another, potentially more serious crisis, half a world away.

Bombing the Chinese embassy in Belgrade has been passed off by President Clinton as "a tragic mistake" and he expressed his "regrets and profound condolences" to China.

NATO Secretary General Javier Solana also apologized and called it "a deeply regrettable mistake."

Military leaders are inclined to call it "collateral damage" and an inevitable side effect of war.

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CHINESE REACTION is as expected. Many Chinese believe bombing their Belgrade embassy

was intentional.

Chinese mobs stormed the American embassy in Beijing and consulates in at least six other cities in China, causing as much damage as possible. Little of this sort occurs in China without official sanction and police tolerance, if not actual support and direction.

Is the Chinese government taking maximum political advantage of this unforeseen tragedy? You bet. We would too, if the shoe were on the other foot.

How would America react if positions were reversed, and Chinese bombs somehow destroyed an American embassy?

How would any other sovereign nation react?

So far, it's a moot point. Americans likely would consider it an act of war, and some public howls would demand tit-for-tat

revenge, urging military action against China. Bomb 'em back to the stone age!

Will the Chinese eventually react the same?

Experts on China politics and Chinese history are coming out of the woodwork, with theories and predictions flowing every which way.

The truth is that nobody knows how this tragedy eventually will unfold. It already has caused ripples in always sensitive China-America diplomatic and economic relations.

Most likely it won't escalate militarily ... but strange things can happen in China.

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THE EMBASSY bombing may have been accidental, but whatever

else it may have been, it was one of the dumbest things our armed forces ever have done.

American intelligence claims we got the wrong building ... that the maps of Belgrade the CIA were using were out of date ... that the target they designated was "several hundred yards away."

Even so, it never should have happened. A simple "Oops! Sorry about that!" won't suffice.

Even the grand old American way of "Just send me the bill, and we'll send you a check" is a weak response.

In the Serbian war, American bombs should never have come anywhere near any country's embassy, especially the embassy of a world power like China.

It doesn't matter whether we didn't know the target really was the Chinese embassy instead of a mili-

tary target, or whether one of our "smart bombs" went astray.

It still was shocking and bad military and political tactics.

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PEOPLE WERE killed by American bombs in this "tragic mistake."

Our military leaders tend to rationalize away civilian deaths, explaining that in war, that's what happens. People get hurt. People get killed. Unfortunately, that's true.

We got into this fighting war with the noble mission of saving lives ... of protecting people who were being persecuted.

Our chosen method of helping these suffering people seems to be to make other people suffer. Our bombs have killed and maimed Serbian military and civilians alike.

And now, add Chinese civilians to the list.

NATO's Mr. Solana claims that NATO "never has and never will intentionally target civilians."

But if we don't want to kill civilians, why are we sending bombs where people are -- in Belgrade and other larger cities of Serbia, where people live and work?

Bombs also have "accidentally" struck buses filled with people, and neighborhoods filled with people, and even hospital grounds filled with people.

If NATO and American really don't want to kill people, why are we bombing at all?

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

How you can help Mercy Hospital

To the editor,

As you know, Mercy Hospital in Grayling has a long-term commitment to preserving our mission of caring for the poor and underserved, improving community health, building lasting relationships across our health system and securing stable employment for our care-givers. Currently, Mercy Hospital is faced with declining financial performance that makes our mission more difficult to sustain.

It's been difficult over the last few months to turn on the television, listen to the radio, or read the newspaper without recognizing that all Michigan hospitals are facing unprecedented financial losses. Mercy Health Services, Michigan's largest health care system that includes Mercy Hospital in Grayling, is no exception. Operating losses throughout Mercy's Michigan facilities total over \$7 million dollars for the nine months ended March 31, 1999. Therefore, like other Mercy facilities, we are taking action to balance our obligation to serve the community under the increasing financial pressures we are facing.

Why is this occurring? Michigan nonprofit hospitals are struggling financially for a number of reasons:

- Reduced payments from Medicare. The Balanced Budget Act of 1997 has meant the health care sector has contributed its fair share to the current federal government surplus. \$7.8 billion will be cut from Michigan Medicare payments over the next five years.

This is creating a larger "gap" between our actual costs and what we are paid for the services provided. At Mercy Grayling 50 percent of our patients are Medicare beneficiaries due to the high senior population in northern Michigan. So these budget cuts impact your community hospital even more.

- The State of Michigan continues to revamp the Medicaid program by cutting payments to hospitals. At Mercy Grayling, 15 percent of our patients are Medicaid enrollees and the payments we receive do not cover the costs of providing needed care. Also, the State's WorkFirst program is changing our mix of patients because many welfare recipients are taking jobs without health care benefits (they in turn are using our facilities and have little or no ability to pay). Overall, the annual decrease from Medicaid reimbursement to Mercy's Michigan hospitals is \$19.5 million this year. Mercy Hospital may be filled with patients, but the cost of providing care is exceeding what we receive from government programs and insurance companies.

- We are experiencing substantially increased costs in supplies and pharmaceuticals due to new drugs. Other factors include the costs of recruiting highly skilled health care professionals, including nurses, physicians, physician assistants and family nurse practitioners to our community health centers. And, this year we're spending extra dollars on upgrading our equipment to meet Y2K compliance

standards.

What does Mercy Hospital mean to you? Mercy Grayling employs a skilled and dedicated workforce of 405 (full time equivalents) who provide high quality care, with a personal touch, close to home. We care for the poor in our community who have no ability to pay for services.

We've expanded our health system outside of Grayling by opening community health centers in Prudenville and Roscommon. With your contributions and support, we proudly have a well-maintained hospital with up-to-date medical technology, access to patient care for all, and services which improve community health.

What can you do to support Mercy Hospital? If a community's hospital is in trouble, the community is in trouble. Legislators, regulators, insurers, employers and our community must understand the consequences of local hospitals continuing to receive lower payments than it costs to actually provide the service.

If you care about Mercy Hospital's "financial health," please join me, our employees, physicians and Auxiliary volunteers in communicating the importance of and concern for Mercy Hospital to your state and U.S. legislators. If you would like more information about how to contact your elected officials, please call Mercy Hospital at 348-0708 and ask for Tara. Sample advocacy letters are also available in the Mercy Hospital main lobby, and in Mercy community health centers in Grayling, Prudenville, and Roscommon.

A hospital in financial difficulty is a hospital with no ability to fulfill its mission. I urge you to join us in lobbying elected officials for adequate payments so we remain a "healthy" health care system in the new millennium.

Stephanie Riemer-Matuzak
Chief Executive Officer
Mercy Hospital, Grayling

Teens do positive things

To the editor,

This past week all we have heard on the news is how our teens are busy killing, stealing, etc. I think it is time we heard of some positive things our teens are doing.

Yesterday one of Grayling's teens set a good example for his peers. Nathan (son of Mr. and Mrs. Alan Fagan) found a dia-

mond ring and turned it in without hesitating to Gail Swope (Heads Up North). I spent a whole night without sleep thinking I'd never see it again.

You are a terrific example for your peers. Keep up the good work!

Sara Hise
Heads Up North
Grayling

Avalanche deadlines

Community Briefs items submitted to *The Avalanche* must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

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Historically Speaking



EARLY CANOE FESTIVITIES - Pictured above is the 1935 Canoe Carnival Parade in Grayling led by a band with floats following closely behind. This parade is the predecessor to the modern-day AuSable River Festival Parade held every year during marathon week at the end of July.

BRIEFS

Rotary Giant Garage Sale this weekend

The Grayling Rotary Club will hold its 1st Annual Giant Garage Sale, May 15 and 16, at J.J.'s Motor Mall on M-72 West, across the street from Cartwright and Danewell. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday. Donations will be accepted through the sale dates. To make a donation or to arrange pick-up, call 348-8893 or 348-7333.

Viking Band Boosters to meet

The Viking Band Boosters will meet Monday, May 24 at 7 p.m. at Grayling Middle School to discuss fund raising policy additions to the by-laws. For more information, call Margaret Knapp at 348-7641, ext. 133.

Trip to Saginaw planned by garden club

The Kirtland Garden Club will go to Saginaw on Monday, May 17 to visit garden centers and have lunch at the Ponderosa. Meet at the Maple Valley Restaurant parking lot at M-55 and I-75 (Exit 227) to form car pools to leave at 8:30 a.m. Reservations are necessary and can be made by calling Cheryl at 366-9214 or Debbie at 821-6244.

Ostomy group plans Grayling meeting

The Straits Area Ostomy Association will hold its regular meeting on Sunday, May 16 at 2 p.m. in the Private Dining Room at Grayling Mercy Hospital. The support group is meant for patients who have undergone this digestive tract abdominal surgery and their families, enabling them to return to normal living. All ostomates and interested persons are invited. For more information, call (517) 821-5721.

Amateur Radio exams scheduled

The Amateur Radio Association of Hanson Hills will be giving Amateur Radio Exams at Grayling High School at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19. All levels of exams will be given, from Novice through Extra, including No-Code Technician. Cost is \$6.45 per exam. To register or for more information, call George Brand, WA8SCO, at 1-800-547-3245 or John Schultz, N8YSS, evenings at 348-4966.

Basketball game benefits cancer victim

The TV 9&10 News All-Stars will play basketball against the Grayling Medical Community, to benefit 13-year old cancer victim, Ashley Morgan. The game is scheduled for Saturday, May 15 at 7:30 p.m. in the Grayling Middle School gym. Admission is \$3 and prizes will be given away during the game. Doors open about one hour prior to start of game.

GHS to host Senior Honors Night

Grayling High School will host its Annual Senior Honors Night on Thursday, May 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium.

Legion Auxiliary nominations to be held

American Legion Auxiliary Unit 106 nomination of officers will be held on Wednesday, May 12 at 7 p.m. at the American Legion Post in Grayling. All members are encouraged to attend.

French to speak about Camp Grayling

Speaker for the Kiwanis Club of Grayling on Monday, May 17 will be Lt. Col. Dale French, who will talk about Camp Grayling's summer encampments. The meeting starts at 12:10 p.m. at Shoppenagon's Inn. Guests are welcome to attend.

Low-cost pet vaccination clinic planned

Hawk Hill Farm in Beaver Creek Township will be the site of a low-cost pet vaccination clinic on Saturday, May 15. A variety of vaccines and boosters will be available for dogs, cats and ferrets. Also, testing for heartworm and feline leukemia, as well as preventive medication will be offered at very low cost. Hawk Hill Farm is located west of Military Road and south of Four Mile Road at 6886 Olson Lane. Appointments for the clinic are recommended, especially if a pet is to be tested. Call 348-2201 for more information.

Police collectors swap meet planned

The Law Enforcement Memorial Association (L.E.M.A.) and the KCC Criminal Justice Club will hold their 3rd Annual Police Collectors Swap Meet and Exhibition on Saturday, May 15 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Grayling Knights of Columbus Hall. The exhibit includes old and new police, fire and E.M.T. badges, patches and memorabilia. Admission is \$2 for adults, \$1 for seniors, and kids 15 and under are free. Refreshments will be available. All proceeds go to benefit L.E.M.A. For more information, call 348-8653.

City Park maintenance



Photo by Caleb Casey

SPRING CLEANING -- Local resident Patrick Ross gives the roof of the City Park pavilion a much needed spraying. Ross also cleaned the picnic tables underneath the pavilion.

Fundraisers planned to help with Netherlands baseball trip

A fundraiser car wash will be held on Saturday, May 15, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 7-Eleven in Grayling to help raise money for Brad Gorski and Rusty Strohpaal, two local athletes who have been chosen to represent the U.S. in the Netherlands this summer.

The two boys will be part of a 16-18 year old traveling baseball team assembled by the Colorado Rockies baseball organization.

The following week, on Saturday,

May 22, a spaghetti dinner fundraiser will be held at the Knights of Columbus Hall from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Prices will be \$5 for adults and \$20 for a family.

If you can not attend the fundraisers and still wish to make a donation, an account has been opened at Chemical Bank North. Please make checks payable to "Baseball Educational Fund," and send to: Chemical Bank, P.O. Box 686, Grayling, MI, 49738.

Cultural Events Movie Series to present *Dial 'M' for Murder*

On Wednesday, May 19, the Community Education Cultural Events Program is featuring Alfred Hitchcock's "Dial 'M' for Murder" in 3-D as part of its Classic Movie Series.

The film, which stars Grace Kelly and Ray Milland, involves a carefully plotted murder that doesn't quite go as planned. Innovative camera work takes advantage of the 3-D technology.

The movie will be playing twice at the Rialto Theatre in Grayling on May 19. The first showing will be a matinee at 2 p.m. (doors open at 1:30 p.m.) The evening show starts at 7:30 p.m. (doors open at 6:45 p.m.)

Tickets are \$5 and are available at the door or through the Community Education Office at 348-7641 ext. 120 or 123.



FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

SHOULD YOUR CHILD SEE A PODIATRIST?

Young children's feet often cause concern among parents. While usually there is no cause for worry, there are some signs that might make an examination by a podiatrist a wise decision. Mild in-toeing and out-toeing is common in toddlers; if it is excessive, have it checked. High arches are not developmentally normal and should be examined. Deformities of the toes, such as overlapping, should be corrected before they cause problems. Suspicious lumps should always be investigated. If your child's shoe wear is abnormal or excessive, that may also signal a problem. Nighttime cramps in the feet and legs are common and usually caused by overtired muscles, but if the problem is frequent, see the podiatrist to rule out hidden problems. Mobilization is a milestone in baby's life

that is a giant step towards independence, but to one that shouldn't be rushed. When it does happen, mark it by making an appointment with your podiatrist for baby's first step towards good foot health care maintenance for the young as well as the young at heart. GRAND TRAVERSE FOOT & ANKLE CENTER, P.C. offers foot care for all problems dealing with the foot, ankle, and lower leg. We're located at 1290 E. 8th Street, Traverse City, MI 49781-9100 & 800-958-7440. Offices in Traverse City, also Kalkaska Memorial Health Center Monday & Wednesday afternoons and evenings. P.S. Most children are mildly bowlegged up to age two; knock-knees are common from ages three to seven. Most often, these problems resolve themselves before adulthood.

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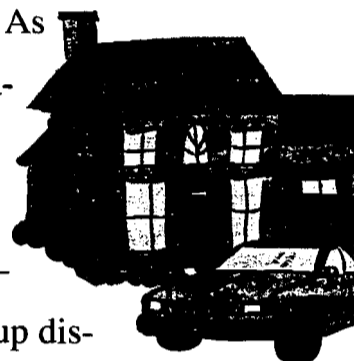
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FRI 14	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR @ Grayling Elementary Media Center, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. On Friday, May 21 the Book Fair will end at noon. For more info. call Karen Coe or Terri Chott at 348-7641 ext. 359.
SAT 15	•GIANT GARAGE SALE 15th & 16th at J.J.'s Auto Mall on M-72 West. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday. •KITE DAY at Hanson Hills.
SUN 16	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.
MON 17	•KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Shoppenagon's Inn, 12 noon. •AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF RETIRED PERSONS meeting @ COA office, 1:30 pm. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8pm @ Frederic Township Hall. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •HABITAT FOR HUMANITY 4 pm. to 6 p.m. Mercy Hospital Dining Room, reflection: Kurt Tucker.
TUES 18	•GPA MEETING @ Shoppenagon's, 12 noon. •AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION dinner meeting @ 5:30 pm. Call Cathy @ 348-8076 for more info. •AUSABLE RIVER CANOE MARATHON meeting @ Mini-Mall race office, 7 pm. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •THE ADD/ADHD PARENTS SUPPORT GROUP meeting will be held at the Grayling Middle School Conference Room from 7 to 9 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Childcare & transportation provided. Call 348-7641 ext. 527/528 for more information.
WED 19	•ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •COA BOARD MEETING @ Senior Citizen Center, 308 Lawndale, 5:30 pm. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.

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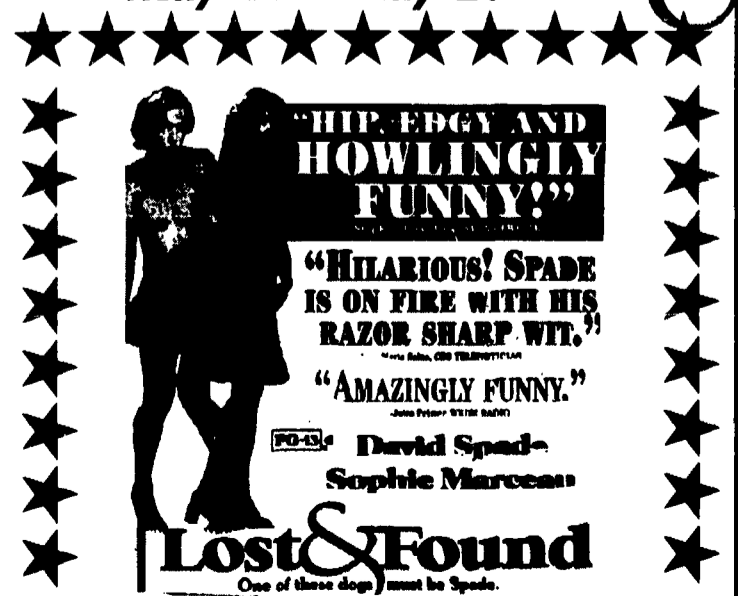
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The Bible Speaks

Violence

Our nation was shocked when two teenagers brutally killed their fellow classmates in Littleton, Colorado. Some are quick to blame guns, but what about the 50 explosive devices they made from simple materials readily available? These boys were not raised in ghettos or sub-standard homes. What about their education? Columbine High was rated one of the finest high schools in the nation. How can such violence be explained under such unusual circumstances?

Increased violence is one sign the second coming of Jesus Christ is near. God has already destroyed the earth once with a flood because of human violence. (Genesis 6:11) "The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence." (Genesis 6:13) "And God said unto Noah, The end of all flesh is come before me; for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold, I will destroy them with the earth." God promised that the same conditions would exist just before the return of Jesus Christ. (Luke 17:26) "And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man."

Some people called the young men Trenchcoat Mafia. Mike Drudge reported the two killers as "gay, jock-hating, Confederate flag-wearing, Goth Rock &

Marilyn Manson loving, white supremacist, fingernail polish wearing, Hitler birthday celebrating outcasts." Were these teenagers simply unloved? Did those closest to them not love them enough to rebuke their sins? (Leviticus 19:17) "Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart: thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him." Did their early expressions of hatred remain unpunished? (Ecclesiastes 8:11) "Because executed against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil."

God gave a plan to raise loving children, not killers. (Deuteronomy 6:5-7) "And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might. {6} And these words, which I command thee this day, shall be in thine heart: {7} And thou shalt teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt talk of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, and when thou liest down, and when thou risest up." Children are raised with either a good heart or an evil heart (Luke 6:45) "A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good; and an evil man out of the evil treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is evil: for of the abun-

dance of the heart his mouth speaketh." Evil in the heart is telegraphed early by the words of the mouth.

The human heart is the real source of the problem. The words of Jesus Christ give us the key to this truth: (Mark 7:21) "For from within, out of the heart of men, proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders." Before these young men built bombs and gathered guns, they became obsessed with hatred within their hearts. The guns and bombs were not the killers. These people were killed by evil hearts.

Was there any Bible Believing "Noah" in or near Littleton, Colorado witnessing to these teenagers? Every child needs the gospel of Jesus Christ. Every child needs daily devotions in a Christian home. Every child needs continuous training in a Bible-believing church. Do we really love our children?

Pastor "B" Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at <http://freeway.net/~cba/> and at <http://www.geocities.com/Hearthland/Ranch/1263/>

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Photo courtesy of Sandy Baynam

ACQUIRE THE FIRE - Members of the Mount Hope Lutheran Church youth group attended day one of the *Acquire the Fire* Christian program at the Pontiac Silverdome, April 23-24. Nearly 80,000 teens and youth leaders attended the weekend event.

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Concert violinist scheduled to perform

The Osborne Family Ministries will feature violinist Diane Osborne in concert, Sunday, May 16 at 6 p.m., at Calvary Baptist Church in Grayling.

Diane Osborne dedicated her talent to God at the age of nine. After high school, she was offered the opportunity to travel to Brussels, Belgium, to begin her career as a professional concert violinist, all expenses paid. After serious prayer concerning this important decision, she felt God had other plans for her life.

Everyone is invited to share this evening of beloved hymns performed professionally for the glory of God.

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Church Directory



It is dawn. In the darkness, thunder filled the air like a herd of stallions with lightning in the lead as the earth bent to the deluge of a spring storm. Now the first rays of a new day reflect the light from a million blades of wet grass and diamonds sparkle on red velvet roses. The birds are having a breakfast of fat worms easily plucked from the soaked soil. Between bites, they sing, thankful for God's favor. "Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, and He delivered them from their distress; He made the storm be still and the waves of the sea were hushed. Then they were glad because they had quiet, and He brought them to their desired haven. Let them thank the Lord for His steadfast love, for His wonderful works to the sons of men!" (Psalms 107:28-31) Seldom do our souls grow without some rain. **Then God knows. Worship this week and learn more of God's plan for our lives. The Giver of the rain is also the Giver of the sun.**

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Mercy recognizes Jones for 16 years of service

Val Jones has been chosen as Mercy Health Services North's newest recipient of its *Friends for Life Recognition* for excellence in the workplace.

"I have seen a lot of change in health care over the last 16 years," Jones said. "Everyone is becoming more aware of the health care process. I am hoping that helps to bring health care full circle in terms of payment revisions. We need to all become aware and active in creating this change so that people are not fearful of financial costs when they need medical testing."

Jones has worked at Mercy Health Services North for almost 16 years. She has worked in the billing, data processing, and admit-

ting departments. She was also instrumental in the opening and operations of the Mercy Internal Medicine Associate Practice.

Currently, Jones serves the hospital as the Customer Access Specialist. In her position, she is responsible for the "keeper of the ADT system" (Admissions, Discharge, Transfer) including all updates, training and troubleshooting.

Jones established the support group, *Soul Survivors*, after she lost a child to suicide. It is a very viable support group in the Grayling area.

"I believe in the Mercy system and feel that the partnership with Munson makes us even stronger as a health care leader," said Jones.



Val Jones

Toupin attends chiropractic convention

Grayling chiropractor Suzanne J. Toupin, D.C. and her office manager, April Contreras recently attended the Michigan Chiropractic Convention in Mount Pleasant.

Over 700 participants attended events throughout the convention weekend at the Soaring Eagle Casino and Resort.

Toupin and Contreras stated that the convention was very informative and the doctor had the opportunity to share ideas with her professional colleagues.

A variety of nationally-known experts were on hand to share their knowledge at seminars and educational programs, providing information on chiropractic techniques and services, as well as information on insurance and legal issues.

MERCY BIRTHS

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HOMETOWN NEWS



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The grandparents are Terry and Mary Ann Maurer of Grayling; Jim and Jan Balcom of Dexter. Great grandmothers are Amanda Horning of Chelsea and Rose Williams of Livonia.

National Hospital Week is May 9-15

Munson Healthcare hospitals, including Grayling Mercy Hospital, will recognize National Hospital Week, May 9-15.

The week focuses public attention on the numerous contributions hospitals make to their local communities and provides hospitals with an opportunity to recognize staff and volunteers for the work they do.

Munson Healthcare Community Relations spokesman Jeff Couzens


said their organization realizes that its hospitals could not provide high quality care without the services of almost 500 physicians and 5,000 employees working together to create healthy communities.

Couzens said that citizens can help celebrate National Hospital Week by acknowledging the health care professionals, employees and volunteers at the various Munson facilities.



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New steak house and eatery opens in Grayling

by Cheryl Ruley
 Staff Writer

A new restaurant, Stake Out Steak House, opened May 10 at the old location of Bear's Country Inn on the I-75 Business Loop (Old 27) just north of town in Grayling.

Owner and chef Dee Kotrash has made some changes to the interior, creating a whimsical atmosphere featuring cow placemats, napkins and wallpaper border.

Stake Out Steak House is a family-style restaurant and its menu includes meals for all ages, tastes, and appetites of all sizes. A children's menu is available and senior citizens receive a discount.

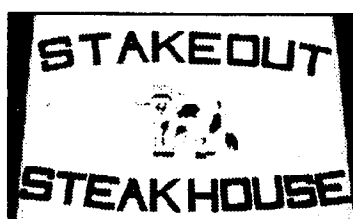
The breakfast menu lists a variety of omelettes. Sportsman's breakfast, old-fashioned oatmeal, cinnamon swirl French toast and other morning fare.

The lunch menu boasts "too big to believe" sandwiches, such as a half-pound "Just a Charbroiled Burger" stuffed with cheese or topped with mushrooms and onions, a Philly Steak and Cheese sandwich, and hot turkey with mashed potatoes and gravy.

Stake Out prepares a variety of large salads, such as Chicken Caesar, Chef and Maurice.

The dinner menu contains a smorgasbord of items, with steak meals the most prevalent. Choose from New York Strip, T-bone, sirloin or rib-eye. Or, try the stuffed pork chops, Portabella lasagna or Porcupine meatballs. The menu also offers appetizers of deep-fried vegetables, mushrooms, onion rings and petals.

Just days before opening, Kotrash and the restaurant's manager, Vickie Potter, invited members of the business community to come and try out a free breakfast or dinner. They also



asked diners to fill out a card and comment truthfully on the quality of the meals, service and the atmosphere.

"We received a lot of compliments on those comment cards," Kotrash said. "And, because of our invitations, we had many people here, beginning at 6:30 a.m., on opening day. We are really excited about the response."

The Stake Out Steak House is open seven-days-a-week, from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Carry-outs are available. For more information, call 348-9811.



Photo by Cheryl Ruley

NEW EATERY "MOO"VES IN - Stake Out Steak House manager Vickie Potter (left) and owner/chef Dee Kotrash opened the restaurant on May 10, offering an "utterly" affordable dining place for locals and tourists.

Cornell Realty named Coldwell Banker affiliate

Grayling's Cornell Realty is now serving Crawford County as an affiliate of Coldwell Banker Real Estate Corporation and will now be known as Coldwell Banker Cornell Realty.

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Gardening author to visit

Nationally syndicated Michigan garden writer and author of *Digging in the Dirt*, Ed Hutchison, will be the guest speaker at a seminar on Wednesday, May 19.

The seminar will begin that evening at 7 p.m. at the CRAF Center on Lake Street in Roscommon. There will also be a book signing.

Staff members of Five Oaks Nursery will also be on hand to answer gardening questions.

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46TH CIRCUIT COURT

Sentencing for March, 1999

Honorable Dennis F. Murphy:

David LeRoy Praise of Grayling - Embezzle-Agent or Trustee \$100 or less - Sentenced to 90 days in jail (held in abeyance), ordered to pay a \$100 fine, \$50 to the Crime Victim's Fund, placed on 12 months probation, and ordered to serve 100 hours community service.

Robert Henry Davis of Grayling - Assault or Assault & Battery - Sentenced to 12 months probation, and ordered to pay a \$100 fine, \$100 court costs, and \$50 to the Crime Victims' Fund.

Teresa Diane Spiers of Lakeland - Unlawful use of Motor Vehicle - Sentenced to 90 days in jail with credit for 8 days (balance held in abeyance), ordered to pay \$180 court costs, \$3,425 restitution, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$645 attorney fees; and placed on probation for 18 months.

Douglas Jay Ellsworth of Grayling - Count I: Delivery/Manufacture Marijuana 5-45 KG - Sentenced to 90 days in jail, with credit for 2 days previously served, ordered to pay \$1,000 fine, \$360 court costs, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$150 forensic lab fee, and placed on 18 months probation. Count II: Possession of Marijuana - placed on 18 months probation, ordered to pay \$50 to the Crime Victim's Fund, plus his license was suspended 365 days.

Honorable Alton T. Davis:

William James Collias of Grayling - Delivery/Manufacture Marijuana - Sentenced to 30 days in jail with credit for 1 day previously served, ordered to pay a \$500 fine, \$500 court costs, \$225 restitution to S.T.I.N.G., \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$645 attorney fees, \$150 forensic lab fee, and placed on

24 months probation, plus his license was suspended 180 days.

Albert Thomas Harnish of Grayling - O.U.I.L. 3rd - Sentenced to 365 days in jail with credit for 32 days previously served, ordered to pay a \$500 fine, \$360 court costs, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$645 attorney fees, placed on 36 months probation, plus his license was revoked.

Honorable Frances F. Walsh:

Bryan Daniel Sattler of Grayling - CSC 2nd degree, person under 13 - Sentenced to 365 days in jail, with credit for 1 day previously served, ordered to pay \$350 court costs and \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, and placed on 36 months probation.

Honorable John G. Hunter:

Christie Anne Sherman of Highland - Escape-Aid Prisoner-Felon - Sentenced to 60 days in jail with credit for 33 days previously served (balance held in abeyance), ordered to pay \$240 court costs, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, \$645 attorney fees, and placed on 24 months probation.

Melody Ann Barrett of Grayling - Larceny over \$100 - Sentenced to 1 day in the county jail with credit for 1 day previously served; ordered to pay \$180 court costs, \$480 restitution, \$60 to the Crime Victims' Fund, and \$635 attorney fees; ordered to serve 100 hours community service.

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OBITUARIES

Paul A. Junttila

Paul Andrew Junttila, D.D.S., 68, of Grayling died May 4 at his home.

Dr. Junttila was born December 16, 1930, in Negaunee to John D. and Ilini (Mattson) Junttila. He moved from Negaunee to Grayling in 1959. He operated a dental practice in Grayling from 1959 until his retirement in 1993. He served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict and was a member of the American Legion Post #106, Grayling.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Ilini Junttila and one brother, Peter Junttila.

Survivors include: a son, John (Dawn) Junttila of Grayling; one daughter, Winnie (Bill) Castle of Kalkaska; 9 grandchildren, Joshua, Jacob, Seth, Sarah and Anna Lepsy, Amy and George Castle, Madison and Justice Junttila; three sisters, Charlotte (Carl) Larson of Menominee, Sophia (Dave) Mitchell of Prescott, Arizona, Betty (Stuart) Perala of Alaska; one brother, John (Helen) Junttila of Marquette.

Funeral services were held May 8 at the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church with Reverend Jeffrey L. Jagers officiating. Funeral arrangements were made by Steuermol & McLaren Funeral Home of Roscommon.

The family suggests memorial gifts be directed to the Amicare Hospice.

Card of Thanks

A special thank you to our special family and friends who have shown their concern and support during my stay in the hospital and recovery at home. Your cards, gifts, support, and prayers were uplifting and truly helped in my recovery. We are very fortunate to live in such a caring and supportive community. Thank you so very much with love and God Bless.

Barry and Darlene Fenn

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Grant me O God, the heart of a child, pure and transparent as a spring; a simple heart, which never harbours sorrows; a heart glorious in self-giving, tender in compassion; a heart faithful and generous, which will never forget any good or bear a grudge for any evil.

Grant me, O Lord, the mind and heart of thy dear Son.

Monie R. Shafer

Monie R. Shafer, 88, of Grayling died May 4 at his home.

Mr. Shafer was born February 1, 1911 in Saunemin, Illinois to Casper R. and Minnie Ann (Fieldcamp) Shafer. Mr. Shafer was a retired superintendent for the Austin Company, a commercial construction company. He moved to Grayling 24 years ago with his wife, Sarah. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge in Belleville and was also a member of the Shrine Club.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Sarah on July 23, 1998; his parents, Casper and Minnie Ann Shafer, and one son, Casper B. Shafer.

Survivors include: a son, Monie (Norma) Shafer Jr. of Bancroft; two daughters Sally (Jay) DeGarmo of Bancroft, Peggy Lee (Edward) Summer of Northville; 18 grandchildren; 36 great-grandchildren; 16 great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held May 6 at the Sorenson Funeral Home McEvers Chapel with Reverend Joseph Carpenter officiating. Burial was in the Elmwood Cemetery.

The family suggests memorial gifts be directed to the American Cancer Society.

Phyllis J. Sauter

Memorial Service
Announcement

Phyllis J. Sauter will be buried at Elmwood Cemetery in Grayling on Friday, May 14 at 3 p.m.

A short service will be offered by Pastor Winter from St. John Lutheran Church in Houghton Lake. Friends of Phyllis J. Sauter are welcomed.

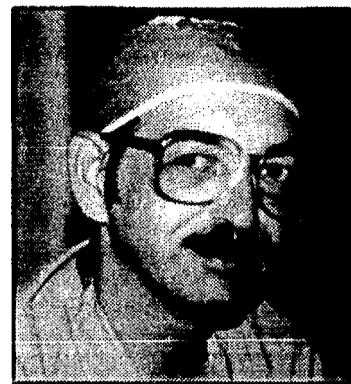
Any donations on her behalf should be directed to the Crawford County Animal Shelter.

Card of Thanks

The family of Dr. P.A. Junttila would like to thank The Reverend Jeffrey L. Jagers and the Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, the Steuermol & McLaren Funeral Home and Mercy Amicare Hospice for their efforts. We would also like to thank the friends who not only supported us through the end but also were a special part of his life throughout and helped create the images we'll share in the future.

Sincerely,
John and Dawn Junttila

Terry L. Schnaidt



Terry Lee Schnaidt, 51, of Grayling died May 7 at Mercy Hospital.

Mr. Schnaidt was born July 22, 1947, in Northville to Arthur and Phyllis (Hubbel) Schnaidt. He served in the Navy and Marine Corp during the Vietnam era. He married Pamela Fangbner March 24, 1973. He moved to the Grayling area from Rochester 16 years ago. He was employed as an operating room technician at Grayling Mercy Hospital.

Survivors include: his wife, Pamela Schnaidt of Grayling; a daughter Jill (Richard) Kahn of Grayling; three grandchildren, Scottie, Michaela and Eric Kahn; a brother Brad (Sue) Schnaidt of Grawn.

Memorial services will be held on May 18, 6:30 p.m. at Mercy Hospital Chapel. Arrangements are being made by Christler Funeral Home of Houghton Lake.

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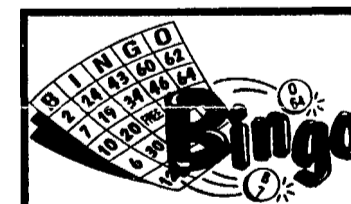
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The following complaints were received by the Crawford County Sheriff's Department from May 3 through May 10:

One ambulance assist; five fire; two criminal sexual conduct; two assault; two burglary; five larceny; one property damage; one obscenity; one family/child; one drunkenness; two escaped; eight public peace; one citations; 12 health and public safety (of which, 10 were animal control); two conservation; four minors; one runaway; seven accidents; four traffic safety; one hazardous conditions; one accident-older; one vehicle inspection, five civil/family trouble; two suspicious situations; two lost/found property; 19 general non-criminal.

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MILITARY NEWS



Mrs. Bonnie French pins new rank on husband, Lt. Col. Dale E. French

Dale E. French of Grayling was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel (Lt.Col.) in the Michigan Army National Guard at Camp Grayling.

Lt. Col. French has been assigned to Camp Grayling on the Active Guard and Reserve (AGR) program since 1988. He served as the Installation Mobilization Officer from 1988 until 1995, when he was transferred to the Director of Operations, Training and Security for Camp Grayling.

Lt. Col. French has completed Military Education courses including the U.S. Army Command and General Staff College, which qualified him for this promotion.

He served two years on active duty with the U.S. Army prior to joining the Michigan Army National Guard in 1973.

Lt. Col. French oversees all range activities, training programs and security for Camp Grayling.

He resides in Grayling with his wife, Bonnie and daughter, Jenny who is a senior at Grayling High School.

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Mr. and Mrs. Ben Hammond

Lori Bowley and Ben Hammond were united in marriage on August 1, 1998 at Grace Community Baptist Church in Monticello, Indiana. Dr. Dale Hammond and Pastor Gary Roberts officiated the ceremony.

Lori is the daughter of Jerry and Kim Bowley of Remington, Indiana. Ben is the son of Dale and Judy Hammond of Frederic, Michigan.

Jenny Bartlett attended as matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Janice Angus, Tina Fanning, Grace Hill and Tonya Newton.

Renee Vogen, cousin of the bride, and Brittani Slade were flower girls.

Jeff Hammond served as his brother's best man. Tim Bowley, brother of the bride, Scott Domont and Gary Voigt were groomsmen. Timothy Bowley Jr., nephew of the bride, was the ring bearer.

The couple honeymooned in Williamsburg, Virginia. The couple now reside in Chattanooga, Tennessee where Ben is a computer technician at Infosystems, Inc., and Lori is a first grade teacher at Brainerd Baptist School.

Hammond and Carlson exchange vows



Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Carlson

Katherine Sue Hammond and Joshua Kenneth Carlson were united in marriage on July 18, 1998 at Calvary Baptist Church in Grayling. Dr. Dale Hammond officiated the ceremony.

Katherine is the daughter of Dale and Judy Hammond of Frederic. Joshua is the son of Ken and Jo Anne Carlson of Roscommon.

Katherine's maid of honor was Betsy Hammond, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Krysta Lowe, Joslyn Sullivan, sister of the groom, Jennifer Carron and Bonnie George.

Joshua's best man was Justin Carlson, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Scott Dankert, Michael Sullivan, brother-in-law

of the groom, Walter Douglas and Ivan Andrews.

Ushers for the ceremony were Ben and Jeff Hammond, brothers of the bride.

Master and Mistress of Ceremonies were Ben Hammond and Lori Bowley.

Guest Book Attendants were Wilman Araque and Rachel Hammond, sister of the bride.

Grandparents of the bride are Edward and Wanda Harvey and Samuel Hammond.

Grandparents of the groom are Kenneth and Geraldine LeFaive and Birtha Crites.

The couple honeymooned in Petoskey, Mackinac, Kentucky and Tennessee.

They now reside in Grayling.

Thompson and Hammond exchange vows



Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery Hammond

Karen LeAnne Thompson and Jeffery Lee Hammond were united in marriage on February 6, 1999 at Liberty Baptist Church in West Memphis, Arkansas. Dr. Dale Hammond officiated the ceremony.

Karen is the daughter of Willard and Tommy Faye Thompson of Marion, Arkansas.

Jeffery is the son of Dale and Judy Hammond of Frederic.

Karen's maid of honor was Sandra Thompson, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Amy McGaha, Lisa Lester, Susan Thompson, sister of the bride, and Michele Leeper.

Jeffery's best man was Ben Hammond, brother of the groom. Groomsmen were Eric Alma, Neil Veldman, Talant Baltikinov and Ben Lowe.

Candle lighters were Jeremy Wilson and Mitchell Fendley, cousins of the bride. Ushers were Eric Alma and Neil Veldman. Flower girls were Caren Findley, Destiny Wilson, cousins of the bride, and Katie Rickard, niece of the groom. Kenton Rickard, nephew of the groom, was the ring bearer. Guest book attendant was Kate Carlson.

Grandmother of the bride is Pearl Thompson of Earle, Arkansas. Grandparents of the groom are Edward and Wanda Harvey of English, Indiana.

The couple honeymooned in Memphis, Chicago, and Milwaukee.

They now reside in L'Anse, where Jeffery is a Michigan State Police trooper.

Hammond and Araque exchange vows



Mr. and Mrs. Wilman Araque

Rachel Hammond and Wilman Araque were united in marriage on July 25, 1998 at Red Bank Baptist Church in Tennessee. Dr. Dale Hammond officiated the ceremony.

Rachel is the daughter of Dale and Judy Hammond of Frederic and Wilman is the son of José Araque and Teresa Escalante of Venezuela.

Rachel's matron of honor was Tamara Rickard, sister of the bride. Bridesmaids were Betsy Hammond, sister of the bride, Kate Carlson, sister of the bride, and Irma Moeller.

Wilman's best man was Joel Rodriquez. Groomsmen were Jesus Cedeño, Ben Hammond, brother of the bride, and Luis Colon.

Ushers were Ben and Jeff Hammond, brothers of the bride. Guest book attendant was Karen Thompson. Spanish Interpreter was José Sanchez.

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The couple honeymooned in Disney, Orlando, Florida. They now reside in Chattanooga, Tennessee.



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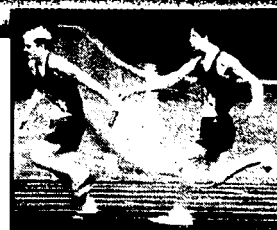
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Vikings split with Blue Devils

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

On Monday, May 3, the Vikings played the Gaylord Blue Devils for the second time this season, this time at home. The teams split the doubleheader, with Gaylord winning game one 11-1 and the Vikings taking the second match 8-5.

The Vikes had trouble getting any offense going in the first game. Jon Haskel scored the lone run of the game for Grayling in the first inning after leading off the game with a single.

Haskel, Eli Tobin, Jeremy Latuszek, and Mike Ketchum each had one hit.

Grayling played better the second game, and won 8-5.

The Vikings came out strong, scoring five runs on seven hits in the first inning.

Ketchum led the offense with two hits. Haskel, Tobin, Trudgeon, Jeremy Millikin, Travis Huber and Ryan Mahaffy each added one hit. Latuszek, Trudgeon and Millikin each had two RBI.

The Vikings wrapped up week four of their 1999 season on Tuesday, May 4, with a doubleheader loss on the road to Pinconning. GHS lost the first game 4-17 and the second game 0-3.

In game one, Tobin led the

Grayling offense with two hits. Ketchum, Huber and Mahaffy had one hit apiece.

In the second half of the doubleheader Grayling lost a close game 0-3.

Tobin had the only two hits for Grayling, a single and a double.

"Josh Sheldon pitched a great game at Pinconning, but took the tough loss," said Coach Fred Wolcott. "Tobin was the best hitter for the week going 6 for 11 in four games."

The team's record is now 8-8 for the season.

Grayling will host the Standish Sterling Panthers on Tuesday, May 18.



VARSITY BASEBALL -

(above) Senior Jeremy Millikin pitches for Grayling. (right) Senior Travis Huber and Assistant Coach Steve Branch talk things over. Grayling's next game will be against Standish Sterling on Tuesday, May 18, at 4 p.m. The Vikes have an away game this Friday (May 14) at Bay City John Glenn.

Tennis Team takes 2nd at Boyne

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Boys Tennis Team took second place at the Boyne Mountain Tournament last Friday (May 7), finishing ahead of several northern Michigan teams.

"Finishing second was quite an honor," said Coach Brian Banda. "It was a very difficult day to play tennis, with gusts of wind exceeding 35 miles per hour. Our players showed great maturity, winning nine matches during the tourney."

Grayling's #2 doubles team of Travis Pearl and Dave Hawkins finished as tournament flight champions.

The #1 doubles squad of Mike Ostwald and Tristan Williams made it as far as the finals, but couldn't pull out the win.

Mike Winters, #3 singles player, also made it to the championship round, but lost 2-6, 4-6.

Harbor Springs ended up winning the tournament. GHS beat out teams from Charlevoix, Boyne City, Traverse City Christian, and Leelanau to take second place.

Grayling's Boys Tennis Team will compete in the Cadillac Tournament on Saturday, May 15. The squad will host Whittemore Prescott on Monday, May 17, at 4 p.m.



TENNIS ACTION --

(left) Eric Thompson serves to his opponent. (above) Jeremy Jones gets ready to go up for a serve. The Grayling High School Tennis Team will be playing at home next week (Monday, May 17) against Whittemore Prescott. The meet, which starts at 4 p.m., will be the team's last regular season contest. Regionals will be held on Friday, May 21.

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Soccer team struggling to put points on board

by Kim Ruley
Student Writer

The Viking Girls Soccer Team has struggled to put points on the board throughout the season, even though they have put out good effort.

On Wednesday, May 4, the GHS Varsity Girls Soccer Team travelled to Bay City John Glenn to take on the Bobcats.

The Vikings played very well even though they were shut out 3-0. All three goals came in the first half. Goalkeeper Sarah McGuire worked hard throughout the game.

This was one of the only games the girls have played in the rain, yet they worked hard and got some good shots on goal.

On defense, Jenny Wheeling played a very physical game to get the ball down the field to the offensive unit of Jessica Holzbauer, Christi Dunckley and foreign exchange student Liana Oliveira, who has scored many of the team's goals this season. Oliveira was moved back to defense in the second half to play the full length of the field.

The midfield did well controlling the ball and moving past Bay City's defense. Midfielders Danielle Niederer, Monica Kustra and Brooke Ginther created a "wall," disabling Bay City's offense.

Things started getting tough when the Bobcats moved the ball past the midfield and defense of the Vikes, but defenders Joyce Thomas, Kira Maples, and Mandi Ellis got back to help the keeper.

J. Dap Co. Viking of the Week



Varsity Girls Soccer
Coach: Karen Langseth

BROOKE GINTHER

Brooke, one of the team's co-captains, was selected for her "positive, never-give-up attitude" and her leadership.



Photo by Caleb Casey

VARSITY GIRLS SOCCER -- (front row, left to right) Rachel Ramaswamy, Katie Bass, Christi Dunckley, Danielle Niederer, Bridgette Reed, Mandy Ellis, Liana Oliveira. (middle row, left to right) Becky Hunt, Carrie Hellebuyck, Monica Kustra, Brooke Ginther, Jessica Holzbauer, Jenny Wheeling, Bitsy Hellebuyck, Rachel Hunt. (back row, left to right) Katie Bonne, Kim Ruley, Kelly Wilson, Kira Maples, Joyce Thomas, Sarah McGuire, Michelle Salyers, Sarah Carmean, Coach Karen Langseth. Not pictured: Gina Rosi, Tasha Carlisle, Janna Eddy.

Becky Hunt and Rachel Hunt both worked hard at midfield to keep the Vikings' hopes up. Sarah Carmean and Bitsy Hellebuyck were put in to relieve the offensive starters, who played great throughout the game. Carmean and Hellebuyck kept the ball in the Bobcat end, creating scoring opportunities.

With time running out, the offense of Grayling got a burst of energy, putting the Bobcat goalie to work.

Holzbauer did a great job on several corner kicks near the end of the game.

Toward the end of the game Grayling managed to put up several shots, but couldn't put one in before the final horn sounded.

Two weeks ago, the Viking girls played hard against Tawas at home only to be shut out 10-0.

Grayling also played Oscoda on Wednesday, April 21. The Vikes were again shut out, with a score of 3-0.

The last game of that week was against the rival Roscommon Bucks. Grayling lost by a score of 10-1, with the only GHS goal coming on a breakaway by Dunckley.

The week after that, the girls played three games also.

On Monday, April 26, they traveled to Pinconning. It was a close game, with the score resulting in a 7-2 win for Pinconning.

Oliveira scored both goals for Grayling.

It was a tough game, as the field was smaller than Grayling's, resulting in passing problems.

On Wednesday the girls played West Branch Ogemaw Heights. Grayling lost that game as well, by a final score of 3-1.

The next day, the Vikings lost to the Standish Sterling Panthers 2-1, finishing the week.

The team's record now stands at 1-10.

The Vikings will host Houghton Lake on Friday, May 14. Game starts at 5 p.m.

Holiday Inn Vikings of the Week



Girls Golf
Coach: Tanya Wolcott

MEGHAN MEYER & CHRISSY LOCKWOOD

Meghan (left) has qualified to golf in the top six every meet this year as a first year golfer. "Her commitment to the sport has definitely proven itself," said Coach Wolcott. Chrissy (right), another first year golfer, has played consistently. "Her enthusiasm to learn is outstanding," said Wolcott.

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GHS Girls Golf Team edged by Alpena

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

In a significant improvement over the first meet against Alpena earlier this season, the Grayling High School Girls Golf Team lost by 11 strokes on Tuesday, May 4, 423-412.

Marianne Vollmer had the low score for Grayling with a 51.

"Our scores stayed consistent even on an unusual course," said Coach Tanya Wolcott.

The meet was played in Alpena. The first time the two teams met in April (at Grayling), the Vikings lost by 87 strokes.

On Monday, May 3, the Vikings hosted Bay City John Glenn. John Glenn won the meet 378-434.

Vollmer had the Viking low score with 47.

In another home meet the week

before, Grayling lost to Newberry by 25 strokes on Monday, April 26, 382-357.

Vollmer again had the low score with a 47. First year golfer Meghan Meyer shot a 58.

"Our team score has been going down consistently," said Wolcott.

Grayling played a solid Traverse City West team on Thursday, April 29. The Vikes lost 412-295.

"It's tough to play such an experienced team," said Coach Wolcott. "Our girls show true sportsmanship when the odds are against us."

Vollmer had the low score against Traverse City with a 44.

The team will head to the Petoskey Invitational on Thursday, May 13, and will travel to Petoskey again on Tuesday, May 18, for a regular meet.

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Viking girls place at double-dual meet

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Grayling's Varsity Girls Track Team competed in a double-dual meet on Wednesday, May 5, against fellow North East Michigan Conference (NEMC) teams from Bay City John Glenn and Oscoda.

Grayling lost to both rival squads in terms of team points, but posted several top placements.

"Despite the rainy weather, the girls competed well," said Coach Diane Isenhauer. "With the Regional track meet only two weeks away, the girls are working hard and should peak at Regionals, which is the state qualifying meet."

"I expect Katie Bonne back soon," added Isenhauer. "She is the team's top discus and shot putter and has been out with a bad ankle for two weeks now."

Against Oscoda, the team's 3200 meter relay foursome (Mary Dobry, Gina Thompson, Karen Wyman, and Kathy Wyman) posted its best time of the season at 11:22, taking 1st place.

Thompson, in her second time competing in the discus event, took

a 2nd place finish with a personal best throw of 62 feet.

Karen Wyman and Tiffany Ruark also posted personal records in the 3200 meter run and 100 meter dash, respectively.

Other Grayling placements versus Oscoda included:

1600 meter run: Dobry, 2nd place; 400 meter dash: Thompson, 2nd; 3200 meter run: Kathy Wyman, 2nd, Karen Wyman, 3rd; shot put: Thompson, 1st; discus: Thompson, 2nd; 800 meter run: Dobry, 1st.

Viking placements against Bay City John Glenn included:

800 meter relay: Karen Wyman, Heather Lynch, Ruark, Kathy Wyman, 1st; 100 meter dash: Lynch, 3rd; 1600 meter run: Dobry, 2nd;

3200 meter run: Kathy Wyman, 2nd, Karen Wyman, 3rd; 800 meter run: Dobry, 2nd; 200 meter dash: Lynch, 3rd; shot put: Thompson, 3rd; discus: Thompson, 3rd.

The GHS Girls Track Team will head to the Houghton Lake Invitational on Saturday, May 15, and will travel to East Jordan on Monday, May 17, for the East Jordan Invitational meet.



RUN -- Mary Dobry (center) competes for Grayling.

Track photos by Caleb Casey

Boys Track Team competes at Bay City

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Boys Track Team traveled to Bay City on Wednesday, May 5, to take on North East Michigan Conference squads from Oscoda and Bay City John Glenn.

Team scores were unavailable, but Coach John Chott said the team competed well.

"It was another great effort by the team as a whole, and a spectacular effort by the 1600 meter relay team," said Coach Chott.

"A couple gutsy individuals tried

an event they had never before attempted: Mike Moon and Alan Geiss ran the 300 meter hurdles and helped get points for the team," said Chott. "They helped others see it won't kill you to try something new."

The Boys Track Team will head to the Houghton Lake Invitational on Saturday, May 15. On Monday, May 17, the team will travel to East Jordan for the East Jordan Invitational.



RELAY EXCHANGE -- GHS track athletes Carter Pavey (left) and Kevin Jansen (right) make the exchange during a 400 meter relay race.

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Varsity Boys Track Coach: John Chott 1600 M RELAY TEAM

The team's 1600 meter relay squad (clockwise from top left) of Armand Lawrence, Peter Mead, Carter Pavey, and Paul Jansen (not pictured) each set a personal record for their leg and ran the race in 3:51.26.

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Varsity Girls Track Coach: Diane Isenhauer TIFFANY RUARK

Tiffany was a contributing member of the 800 meter relay team that took 1st place against Bay City John Glenn on Wednesday, May 5. She also competed for the first time in the high jump against BCJG and Oscoda, showing great promise.

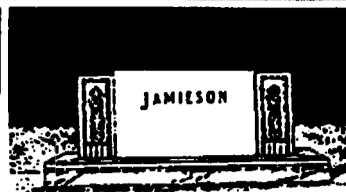
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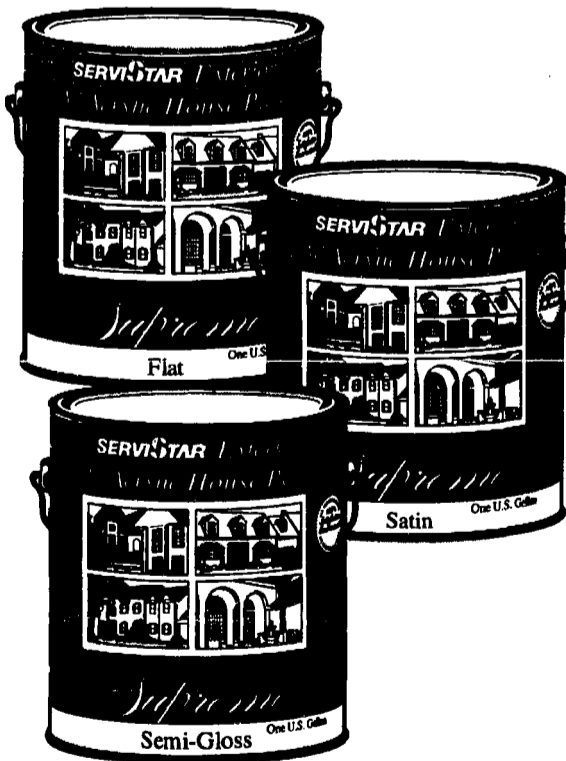
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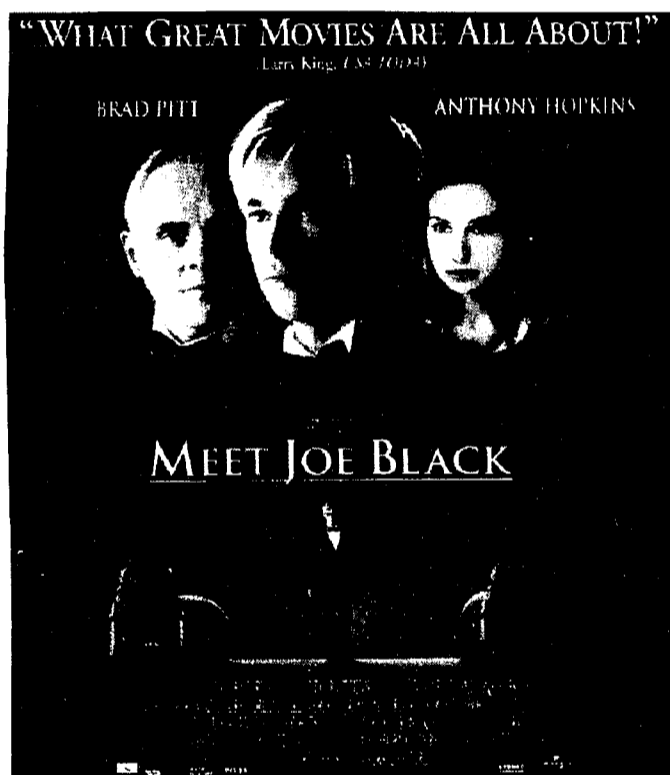
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Trout Unlimited to host annual banquet

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The local chapter of Trout Unlimited (George W. Mason Chapter) will hold its annual George Griffith Memorial Conservation Banquet on Saturday, May 15, at Shoppenagon's Inn.

This year's banquet will include a buffet dinner, auction and raffle. It is expected to draw about 250 people.

The event will start at 6:30 p.m. with a social hour. Dinner will start at 7:30 p.m., and the auction and raffle will begin at 8:30 p.m.

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The guest of honor at this year's banquet will be Peri Griffith, widow of the late George Griffith. Griffith, who died last year at the age of 96, helped co-found Trout Unlimited locally about 30 years ago. The organization has since grown and spread out to the inter-

national level.

"One of the things that George Griffith was dedicated to was conservation, especially conservation-minded management of trout streams," said Jim Powers of Trout Unlimited. "He contributed many things in his life to Trout Unlimited and conservation."

The auction will contain some of Griffith's personal fishing equipment.

The banquet, in addition to honoring Trout Unlimited co-founder Griffith and offering a night of fun

and relaxation to fishing aficionados, is a fund-raising event. "Usually we raise about \$15,000," said Powers.

Trout Unlimited raises money to help support various river restoration and conservation projects on both the AuSable and Manistee rivers, such as erosion control, improving access sites, and creating fish habitats.

The organization also helps fund fishing-related programs and activities for area youth.

FISHING REPORT

North Branch (AuSable): Fishermen are having success with nymphs, Havis Ear and 12. Anglers are also using Roberts Yellow Drake. (Info courtesy of Gary Boyd, Caid's Grocery.)

AuSable: The Hendrickson hatch is just about done. Olive, black and tan caddis hatches are on, and sulfurs are expected to start soon. Anglers are having success with the Borchers Special and Roberts Yellow Drake. Water levels are up slightly from last week due to the

recent rain. More information is available at The Fly Factory's 24-hour hatchline: 517-348-7108. (Info courtesy of The Fly Factory.)

Lakes: Numbers of walleye coming out of Lake Margrethe are rising, with anglers using leeches and crawlers. Pike and bluegill are still in the shallows. Pike are chasing minnows close to shore in about two to eight feet of water. The bluegills are in the outlets of the lake because the water is a few degrees warmer there. Take advantage of the semi-cloudy days and try fishing Frog, Howe's or Hardgrove lakes from shore for panfish. (Info courtesy of Jack Millikin, Skip's Sport Shop.)

Note: Fire danger is high due to dry conditions. Please be careful while enjoying fishing and other outdoor activities.



COUNTRY CLUB NEWS

by Donna Thomson
Wednesday Ladies League

On Wednesday, May 5, the Ladies League had their first fun day for the 1999 season. The weather was perfect as it has been, but we do need the rain so hope it happens before golf next week.

The golf committee was busy as usual, planning an award on almost every hole and the winners were on #1 - Mary Hamblin - longest drive.

- #2 - Ilene Hatfield - longest putt.
- #3 - Connie Gates - closest to the pin on the second shot.
- #5 - Ann Latusek - closest to the pin.
- #6 - Dorothy Walker - closest to the pin on the third shot.
- #7 - Treva McClanahan - closest to the pin.
- #8 - Dot Gleffe - longest putt
- #9 - Mary Jane Knibbs - the longest drive.



Again, this year, a big "Thank You" to Jeanne Thompson for figuring out our schedule books, so when sanctioned play begins on May 19, we all know who we golf with and where we start.

Everyone enjoyed a delicious lunch of salads, three kinds of lasagna and dessert.

As usual I'm looking forward to next week but that's all "fore" now.

Comfort Center

Viking of the Week

Varsity Baseball
Coach: Fred Wolcott
ELI TOBIN

Eli went 6 for 11 at the plate last week in four games. "He also made some great defensive plays at shortstop," said Coach Fred Wolcott.

Wendy's

Viking of the Week

Boys Tennis
Coach: Tom Mills
TRAVIS PEARL & DAVE HAWKINS

Travis (left) and Dave (right) won their flight at the Boyne Mountain Tournament last Friday at #2 doubles. The doubles team of Travis and Dave has been quite successful this season.

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Offense slows down for Varsity Softball Team

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

Grayling High School's Varsity Softball Team has been having difficulty putting runs on the board lately, resulting in losses to Gladwin, Pinconning and Gaylord.

The Vikings wrapped up week three of their season on Tuesday, April 27, with a doubleheader at Gladwin. (The game scheduled for Friday, April 30, was postponed due to cancellation of school.)

The Flying G's of Gladwin took both games of the series, winning by scores of 10-2 and 11-0.

"It was a disappointing loss," said Coach Donna Boughner of game one. "We made too many errors. We did not have the pep."

Melanie Paxton led the hitting attack for Grayling, batting 2 for 3 with one run scored. Brandy Ritter, Kim Hartman and Tanya Helsel each added one hit.

Jean Zelek, Hartman, and Mika Sumner had the only hits for

Grayling in the second game.

"Gladwin was a tough team," said Coach Boughner. "We could not get our bats going."

Pitcher Arica Wolcott had to leave the game with an injury, and was relieved by Paxton, who pitched two hitless innings.

The Vikes started week four of their '99 season with a home game against the Gaylord Blue Devils on Monday, May 3.

Gaylord swept Grayling for the second time this season, beating the Vikings by scores of 8-2 and 11-1.

Coach Boughner said errors led to some costly runs for Gaylord in both matches.

In the first game, Ritter had two steals, one hit and scored one run.

"Andrea Elmy did a nice job once again on the field," said Boughner. "Tanya Helsel played great both games defensively."

Hitting for Grayling in the second contest were Helsel, Ritter (double) and Zelek (triple). Helsel scored the

lone GHS run. Mandy Trudgeon got the RBI.

"Brandy Ritter and Jean Zelek were involved in two double plays," said Coach Boughner. "Arica Wolcott continues to do a great job pitching every game."

On Tuesday, May 4, the Vikings traveled to Pinconning for a conference match-up. Grayling's run production continued to struggle, and the Spartans won the doubleheader with scores of 13-0 and 15-1.

"We were outplayed by this ranked team," said Boughner of game one. "Mika Sumner is the only one with a hit this game."

Sumner, Trudgeon, Tamella Strait each had one hit for Grayling in the

doubleheader's second match. Trudgeon scored the one run for GHS.

"Grayling did a much better job this game. Pinconning is ranked in the state, they are tough competition," said Coach Boughner.

"Kimmy Hartman has been playing great defense," she added. "Tanya Helsel and Andrea Elmy have been playing well in the outfield. Elmy just moved to shortstop the last two games to play for injured Ritter."

The Vikings will play against Bay City John Glenn at Bay City on Friday, May 14, and will host Standish Sterling on Tuesday, May 18. Both games start at 4 p.m.

Local student receives black belt

Dougie Slater, a 10 year old local karate student, successfully tested for his first degree black belt last month in the Detroit area.

Slater is a student of Tang Soo Do Moo Duk Kwan, a style of Korean karate, under the instruction of karate sensei Master Gary Hasson of Grayling.

Several high ranking instructors, including eighth degree black belt Master Dale Drouillard, the first American to earn a black belt

in that style, were present at the event.

Slater has trained for five years under Master Hasson, who teaches at Grayling Aikido and Karate on North Old 27.

Slater is the youngest student Hasson has ever promoted to black belt in over 35 years of teaching.

Dougie is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Douglas and Marcie Slater of Frederic.



THROW -- Shortstop Brandy Ritter tosses to first.



BLACK BELT -- Dougie Slater displays his recently bestowed black belt with his teacher, Master Gary Hasson of Grayling Aikido and Karate.

Go fly a kite this weekend

The Grayling Recreation Authority will hold its annual Kite Days on Saturday, May 15 at Hanson Hills and on Sunday, May 16 at the Frederic Township Park.

Free kites and refreshments will be provided to participants on a first-come, first-served basis. There

are 150 kites available.

Both events will take place each day from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m.

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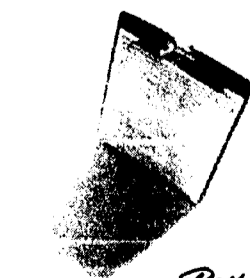
[Therese Kaiser]

for the first time. All was well. Then, up drove a couple from downstate who wanted an Empire checking account for their weekends up here. (Smart couple.) Well, the lobby was closed and the couple nearly left empty-handed. Good thing Therese was around! She got the forms, toted a clipboard out to their car and signed them up. Said it felt just like her old job as a carhop. Therese didn't get a tip and the couple didn't get any fries. But it shows why Empire Bank is different!

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Jim Dutmers
Jim Dutmers
Chairman, Empire Bank



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When: June 5, 1999 - 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.
Where: Crawford County Building Parking Lot

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What not to Bring: tires, water based paint, household refuse, appliances.

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- 1) This service is limited to THE PROPERTY OWNERS of Crawford County. Proof of residency may be required.
- 2) The collection is by appointment only, you must contact Pat Merrill @ 517-344-3258 to set a time.
- 3) Funding is limited, so the collection may have to be closed prior to 3:00 p.m.
- 4) No Commercial entities will be allowed.
- 5) Crawford County reserves the right to deny disposal of materials.

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LEGAL ACTION

TO THE OWNER OR OWNERS OF ANY AND ALL INTERESTS IN, OR LIENS UPON THE LANDS HERE DESCRIBED:

TAKE NOTICE, that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof, at any time within six (6) months after return of service of notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the register in chancery of the county in which the lands lie of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with fifty percent (50%) additional thereto, and the fees of the sheriff for the service and cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a declaration as commencement of suit. Provided, That with respect to the purchasers at the tax sale held in 1997, if payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for the possession of the land.

DESCRIPTION:
STATE OF MICHIGAN, COUNTY OF CRAWFORD, FREDERIC TOWNSHIP, COMM 383 FT S & 150 FT E OF THE NE COR OF NE/4 OF NW/4 OF SEC 6 T27N R4W FOR POB TH W 803.1 FT TO ELYBK OF MANISTEE RV TH SLY 50 FT TH E 803.1 FT TH N 50 FT TO POB 030-006-005-080-00

Amount paid \$535.72 for 1994 tax.
Amount necessary to redeem \$803.58 plus the fees of the Sheriff and cost of publications.
Scott and Denise Darga
415 West Walled Lake Dr.
Walled Lake, Michigan 48390

TO: Douglas Sharp last owner of record as appearing in the records of the office of the Register of Deeds of said county as follows:
Mr. Douglas Sharp
100 River Front Dr.
Detroit, MI 48226

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Andrew Decker and Della Decker, husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Mortgage America (IMC), Inc., Mortgagee, dated September 19, 1997, and recorded on November 19, 1997 in Liber 442, on Page 90, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the IMC Mortgage Company, as assignee by an assignment dated March 9, 1999 which was recorded on March 30, 1999, in Liber 0477, on Page 569, Crawford County Records, on

Grayling to host semi-pro soccer game

Grayling Soccer Club drops two games

The Grayling Soccer Club (13 and 14 year team) traveled to Oscoda this past Saturday for matches against the Oscoda Owls and the Houghton Lake #2 team. The first game of the day featured Grayling and Oscoda.

The first quarter began with both teams exchanging offensive surges. An Owls rush produced a strong shot on goal which was stopped by goalie Josh Jurkovich.

A short time later an illegal slide tackle by an Owl defender resulted in a penalty kick for Grayling's Eric Hunter. His high hard shot was just deflected by the goalie off the top crossbar. Grayling followed immediately with offensive pressure resulting in a shot by Brandon Pratt, which bounced off the crossbar.

The second quarter had just begun when the Owls brought the ball down the sideline, crossed with a centering pass, and scored on the shot. The teams exchanged

the ball at mid-field the rest of the quarter.

To open the third quarter rain began to fall, making the footing treacherous. An offensive charge by the Owls provided a shot which found the left side of the goal as Grayling's goalie slipped on the wet turf. A short time later the Owls scored again on a penalty kick, making the score 3 - 0.

Grayling offense took charge. A pass from Todd Gaffke produced a hard shot from Pratt which found the Owl's net. The fourth quarter was all defense with Ben Crawford, Hunter, Gaffke and Robert Jewell preventing the Oscoda team from taking a shot. The final score was 3-1.

In the second game of the double header Grayling faced the Houghton Lake #2 team.

The first quarter was a feeling-out process for both teams, with most of the play at midfield. H.L.'s offensive pressure early in the second quarter produced a hard shot which was stopped by goalie Pratt. Unfortunately, the rebound caromed directly to a H.L. player who pounded it into the net for a score. H.L. then capitalized on Grayling's momentary letdown. On the ensuing play H.L. intercepted the ball at midfield and with two good passes scored again. Defense then dominated the rest of the quarter.

Grayling turned up the offensive intensity in the third quarter. Good passing and dribbling on two sepa-

rate rushes provided Brandon Pratt with shots on goal, only to be denied by the H. L. goalie. H.L. then came roaring back with an offensive attack of their own. Jurkovich made two great saves but the relentless pressure finally produced a goal. In the last minute of the quarter Grayling again mounted an offensive attack with a hard shot by Pratt being turned away by the H.L. goalie.

The fourth quarter began right where the third ended with Grayling pressure producing a shot for Gaffke. The teams then began exchanging rushes into their offensive ends. H.L. took a hard shot, which was turned away by Jurkovich, then hammered the rebound off the right post. Grayling then brought the ball down the sideline the length of the field with some fine passing.

A centering pass from Kelly Kustra to Pratt produced an excellent scoring opportunity, but the H.L. goalie was up to the chal-

enge and made the save. The game ended with a 3-0 score in Houghton Lake's favor.

This coming Saturday (May 15) the Grayling team will be at home for a single game with H.L. #1 at 5 p.m., which will be followed by a semi-pro soccer match featuring the Mid-Michigan Bucks vs. the Indiana Invaders.

The event, which is being organized and sponsored by the Grayling Soccer Club, will raise funds to help the club fund its youth soccer activities.

The game will be played at Grayling High School's Don Ferguson Field (Viking Stadium), and will start at 7:30 p.m.

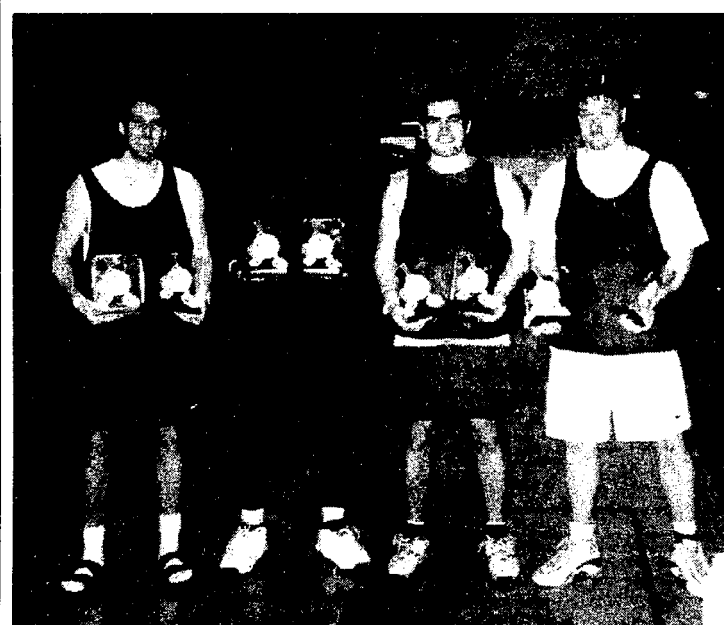
Tickets are \$5 each. Tickets can be purchased from GSC coaches or players, and at the following locations: Glen's, Grayling Pharmacy, AuSable Drug in Roscommon, and Pioneer Family Pharmacy in West Branch.

A concession stand will be offering refreshments at the game.

MERRITT SPEEDWAY

After weeks of dry conditions and the fire danger very high, it finally rained. The bad news is that it rained on the weekend and rained out the opener for Merritt Speedway on Saturday, May 8. Look for the first race of 1999 to take place on Saturday night on May 15.

'Phat Four' take 2nd at Macker



GUS MACKER WINNERS -- The "Phat Four," Phil Trudgeon, Kenny Jones, Brian Burrell, and Tom Kirk, took second place in the "old guy" division at the Grayling Gus Macker Basketball Tournament, which was held on April 17-18. The team also won a "good sports" award.

FOOTNOTES FROM THE HILLS

Grayling Recreation Authority News

GRA HOSTS FAT TIRE FESTIVAL - The Fat Tire Festival is a celebration of cycling. Great events are taking place June 5 & 6, at Hanson Hills. The Hanson Hills Mountain Bike Challenge is composed of dual slalom courses and a nighttime trial race on Saturday, and a cross-country biking event on Sunday. The Hanson Hills Challenge Trail Run is a foot race that takes place Saturday, June 5. For men a softball tournament will be held that weekend also. Team registration for that event is only \$175. Bring the entire family and enjoy live music, bike games, kids races, pasta dinner, pig roast and much more.

Volunteers are essential ingredients needed for these events. Volunteering at GRA is a great way to serve your community and get service hours for graduation also. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or participating in any of the weekend events at Hanson Hills call Cindy or Jessica at 348-9266.

MEN'S SOFTBALL - Hey ball players! Sign your team up for softball! Team registration is \$300. Player fee is only \$15 per player with a maximum player fee not to exceed \$165. For more information call Joe Lehman at 348-2292.

KITE DAY - Kite day is planned for Saturday, May 15 at Hanson Hills Recreation Area from 1 to 3 p.m. Free kites and refreshments are available on a first come first served basis.

Don't miss kite day in Frederic at the Township Park, Sunday, May 16 between 1 and 3 p.m.

SUMMER CONCERT AT HANSON HILLS - The "Gonzoroma" Music Festival is Saturday, July 3. *Knee Deep Shag, Atomic Numbers, The Suite 16, Yeti Express, Sleeping on Silver, Divespire, and Erotic Chieftains* will be performing. Enjoy approximate-

ly 10 hours of music from some of Michigan's hottest new bands. The concert starts at 3 p.m. Tickets may be purchased at Hanson Hills for \$15. For more information or to order tickets by credit card call (517) 348-9266. Web users can contact jessica@hansonhills.org.

Help is needed with this and other events. Clubs are invited to become involved and enjoy fundraising opportunities for their organization. For more information call Jessica at 348-9266.

PLANS FOR IRRIGATION AT HANSON HILLS - A meeting was held for softball players to decide what improvements needed to be made to the softball field at Hanson Hills. After discussion it was decided that the installation of a sprinkler system, well and landscaping for the softball and soccer fields was in the best interest of GRA facility users. Bids are now being accepted for this work. Anyone interested in submitting a bid may contact Dale Metzger at (517) 348-9266, ext. 13.

GHS SKI TEAM REUNION - The Grayling High School Ski Team Reunion weekend is tentatively scheduled for the last weekend in January 2000. If you are a ski team alumni, or if you know where we can find any of these people, please let us know ASAP. Your ideas for activities are encouraged also.

SKIER VISITS - We are so excited to have the technology to tell you skier numbers! This season we had 1,006 member visits (see why we want you all to sign in), 935 skiers with groups, 139 lessons and 1,113 ticketed skiers for a grand total of 3,193 skiers at Hanson Hills. We averaged 65.17 skier visits for each of our 49 days open for business.

Any old ski equipment or Hanson Hills memorabilia you would like to donate to the Main Lodge is appreciated. We are also looking for old Winter Wolf Buttons.

BEAVER CREEK TOWNSHIP NOTICE OF PUBLIC AUCTION

12 x 52' 1969 Detroit Mobile Home to be sold at public auction.

Thursday, May 20, 1999 at 11:00 a.m.
For more information call Vivian Balmes, Treasurer
Beaver Creek Township
Between 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Weekdays
At (517) 275-8878

PUBLIC NOTICE FROM FREDERIC TOWNSHIP 517-348-8778

Frederic Township is seeking applications for newly opened seats on the Zoning Board. Those interested in applying need to do so on or before 2:00 pm May 18, 1999 at the Frederic Township Hall, 7564 Co. Rd. 612 Frederic, MI 49733.

Nancy Bindschatel
Township Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE FROM FREDERIC TOWNSHIP 517-348-8778

The Frederic Township Board of Trustees will be holding a special meeting on May 18, 1999 at 7:00 pm. The agenda will be to discuss, but not limited to, public question concerning the forming of a Law Enforcement agency in Frederic Township. Also on the agenda will be the appointment of new Zoning Board members. The meeting will be held at the Frederic Township Hall located at 7564 Co. Rd. 612 Frederic, MI 49733.

Nancy Bindschatel
Township Clerk

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

File No. 99-4760-CK (D)
Donald L. Ososki, Plaintiff vs Azucena Kimber, d/b/a Frogie's Pub & Grub, Donald O. Ewald and Mary Diane Ewald, Defendants.

NOTICE OF SALE
NOTICE IS GIVEN that by virtue of a Judgment of the Circuit Court Clerk for the County of Crawford, Michigan, dated March 25, 1999, directing the sale of the following-described property, I shall offer the said property for public sale to the highest bidder at the front door of the Courthouse at 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan in Crawford County, that being the place of holding the Circuit Court on Wednesday, May 19, 1999 at 11:30 a.m.

Parcel A: Part of the East 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 22 and part of the West 1/2 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 23, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan. Commencing at the Northeast corner of said

Section 22; thence South (along the Section line), 1184.0 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence South 72 degrees 00' E 56.6 feet to the Westerly right of way of Wakeley Bridge Road; thence South 7 degrees 20' W (along said right of way), 115.0 feet; thence South 84 degrees 59' W, 84.40 feet; thence South 50 degrees 07' W, 91.20 feet to the Northeasterly right of way of M-72; thence North 42 degrees 15' W (along the Northeasterly right of way of M-72), 110.0 feet; thence North 33 degrees 42' E 175.0 feet; thence South 72 degrees 00' E 96.4 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Date: 4/15/99
Richard F. Meyer, Jr.
Deputy Sheriff

David R. Sabin P19822
Attorney for Plaintiff
115 Michigan Avenue
Grayling, MI 49738
(517) 348-5588

STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

To the Owner or Owners of any and all interests in, or Liens upon the Lands herein described:

To Theresa Stempkowski last grantee in the regular chain of title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the office of the Register of Deeds of Said County.

Take Notice: Sale was lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes on that land, and that the undersigned has title to the land under tax deed or deeds issued for the land. You are entitled to a reconveyance of this land within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the undersigned or to the treasurer of the county in which the land is situated, of all sums paid for the tax sale purchase, together with 50% in addition, and the fees of the sheriff for the service or cost of publication of this notice. The service or publication costs shall be the same as if for personal service of a summons upon commencement of an action, together with a sum of \$5.00 for each description, without other additional cost or charge. If payment as described in this notice is not made, the undersigned will institute proceedings for possession of the land.

Description of Land: County of Crawford, Portage Lake Park - 1st Addition, Block 1, Lots 28, 29, 35, 37 and 39. Taxes paid for 1994: \$50.58; taxes paid for 1995: \$221.75.

Amount necessary to redeem, \$413.40 plus the fees of the Sheriff.
Ronald Baker
P.O. Box 369
Grayling MI 49738

PUBLIC NOTICE FROM FREDERIC TOWNSHIP 517-348-8778

The Frederic Township Board will be holding a special meeting on May 20, 1999 at 7:00 pm. The agenda will be to appoint a new chairperson and to hold a Public Hearing to discuss plans in forming a natural river district for Manistee River area within Frederic Township. The meeting will be held at the Frederic Township Hall located at 7564 Co. Rd. 612 Frederic, MI 49733.

Nancy Bindschatel
Township Clerk

LEGAL ACTION

STATE OF MICHIGAN CIRCUIT COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD

Order to Answer
File No. 99-4833-CH(M)
ABRAHAM N. KEISOGLU and
MARIE F. KEISOGLU, Plaintiffs
v
NORTH MICHIGAN VINYL
PRODUCTS COMPANY, Defendant

On the 22nd day of April, 1999, an action was filed by Plaintiffs, against Defendant in this court to pursue a judgment to quiet title against the Defendant concerning the following described real property:
Maple Forest Township, Crawford County, Michigan: PARCEL "B" - A part of the NW 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Section 34, T28N, R3W commencing at the Southeast corner of same and running thence N0°18' W on the East line, 329.9 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence N89°53 1/2' W, 1321.1 feet; thence S0°18' 1/2' W on 1/4 line, 330.2 feet; thence S89°53'E, 1321.1 feet; thence S0°18'E on 1/8 line, 329.9 feet to the Point of Beginning, embracing 10.01 acres. Easements according to the recorded survey Liber 128, pages 376-377-378. Also Excepting and Reserving all oil, gas and mineral rights and storage of same.

Upon consideration of the Complaint of Plaintiffs, attesting to the fact that the Defendant NORTHERN MICHIGAN VINYL PRODUCTS COMPANY's address is unknown, and that therefore service upon Defendant of the Summons and copy of the Complaint in this action cannot otherwise be effectuated, and it appearing to the Court that the Defendant can best be apprised of the pendency of this action by publication of this Order in a newspaper.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the Defendant, NORTHERN MICHIGAN VINYL PRODUCTS COMPANY, shall file its answer with the Court and serve a copy of its answer on the law offices BRABANT & MANNIKKO, PLLC, by Gerard F. Brabant, Attorney for Plaintiffs, whose address is 241 Lake Street, P.O. Box 35, Roscommon, MI 48653, or take such other action as may be permitted by law on or before the 8th day of July, 1999. Failure to comply with this Order may result in a judgment by default against the Defendant, NORTHERN MICHIGAN VINYL PRODUCTS COMPANY, for the relief demanded in the Complaint filed in this Court.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order by published once each week for three consecutive weeks in Crawford County Avalanche.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be posted once each week for four (4) weeks in the Crawford County Building.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that a copy of this Order be posted at the above described parcel of land at a location visible from the nearest public road and access.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the first publication of this Order be made within 14 days from the date of entry of this Order.

Date of Order: 4/27/99
Honorable Dennis F. Murphy
Circuit Court Judge

BRABANT & MANNIKKO, PLLC
By: Gerard F. Brabant P31123
Attorney for Plaintiffs
241 Lake Street, P.O. Box 35
Roscommon, MI 48653
(517) 275-4365

-6-13-20-27

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Darrell W Earls and Sherry C Earls husband and wife (original mortgagors) to First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company, f/k/a NBD Mortgage Company, a Delaware Corporation, Mortgagee, dated February 6, 1996, and recorded on February 14, 1996, in Liber 407, on Page 247, Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of THIRTY-SIX THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED THIRTY-THREE AND 28/100 dollars (\$36,633.28), including interest at 7.100% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m., on June 23, 1999.

Said premises are situated in the CITY OF GRAYLING, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Fractional Lot(s) 5 and 6, Block 3,

Hadley's Second Addition to the Village (now city) of Grayling, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 10, Crawford County Records. Also fractional Lots 5 and 6, Block 3, Hadley's Amended Addition to the Village (now city) of Grayling, according to the recorded plat thereof as recorded in Liber 01 of Plats, Page 04, Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 13, 1999
First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE
CALL:
(248) 593-1300
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for First Chicago NBD Mortgage Company.
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 990405109
Hawks

-13-20-27-3-10

FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Charles Henry Estes and Jennifer Estes husband and wife (original mortgagors) to Continental Mortgage Corporation, a Michigan Corporation, Mortgagee, dated March 29, 1996, and recorded on April 2, 1996, in Liber 409, on Page 334, Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the EquiVantage, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated March 29, 1996 which was recorded on April 2, 1996, in Liber 409, on Page 339, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED SEVENTY-SIX AND 06/100 dollars (\$45,476.06), including interest at 10.750% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m., on June 23, 1999.

Said premises are situated in the TOWNSHIP OF SOUTH BRANCH, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

A part of, and the Southeast 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4, Section 7, Town 25 North, Range 2 West described as: Commencing at the center 1/4 corner of said Section 7, and running thence North 88 degrees 00 minutes West on the 1/4 line 1,082.8 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 88

degrees 00 minutes West on the 1/4 line 150 feet; thence North 2 degrees 00 minutes East 300 feet; thence South 88 degrees 00 minutes East 150 feet, thence South 2 degrees 00 minutes West 300 feet to the Point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: May 13, 1999
EquiVantage Inc.
FOR INFORMATION, PLEASE
CALL:
(248) 593-1304
Trott & Trott, P.C.
Attorneys for EquiVantage Inc.
30150 Telegraph Road, Suite 100
Bingham Farms, MI 48025
File # 990404905
Falcons

-13-20-27-3-10

Notice of Mortgage Sale To the Owner or Owners of any and all Interests in, or Liens upon the Lands here described:

TAKE NOTICE, that sale has been lawfully made of the following described land for unpaid taxes thereon, and that the undersigned has title thereto under tax deed or deeds issued therefor, and that you are entitled to a reconveyance thereof, at any time within 6 months after return of service of this notice, upon payment to the Treasurer of the County in which the lands lie, of all sums paid upon such purchase, together with 50% additional thereto, and the fees of the Sheriff for the service plus cost of publication of this notice, to be computed as upon personal service of a Summons upon commencement of an Action, and without other additional cost or charges. If payment as aforesaid is not made, the undersigned will institute Proceedings for the possession of the land.

Lands and premises situated in the County of Crawford, and State of Michigan. Description of lands.

Lot #383 Northern Heights #3 - Warblers Hideaway Association
Property tax code 010-14-402-00-383-00
Mr. Andrew J. Hess and Mrs. Jo Hess (Wife of Andrew J. Hess) - last known address 6642 Huron St. Cass City, MI 48726-1212

Amount necessary to redeem \$179.66 plus fees of the Sheriff and cost of publication.

Persons shown above are last grantee in the regular chain title of such lands or of any interest therein as appearing by the records in the Register of Deeds office of said County, or holders of unrecorded Quit Claim Deeds to the land described above.

Warblers Hideaway Association tax deed holder - Valerie Johnston Treasurer, 2704 Lovells Rd. Grayling, MI 49738

-13-20-27-3-

NOTICE OF BID

Lovells Township is now taking bids for a new 4-Wheel Drive Fire Truck. Specifications can be picked up at the hall on Tuesday, Wednesdays or Thursdays or you can call 517-348-9215 to have them mailed. Bids need to be in by Monday, June 7th at 3:00 p.m.

Fred Schaibly
Lovells Township Supervisor

-13-20-27-3

GRAYLING TOWNSHIP NOTICE

Please be notified the Zoning Board of Appeals will hold a public hearing on May 24, 1999 at 7:00 p.m. in the Township Office, 2090 Viking Way, to hear the following case:

Case #99-1: Key Trust of Ohio, petitioner.
T26N, R3W, Sec. 11
1577 Richardson Road (Matabanic Lodge)
NRRD Zoning (Tabled from 4-26-99)

An amended request to replace an existing one story building by moving it 15' further from river, to allow for basement and front deck and 3' to the west to comply with side line requirement. (109' from the river, a variance of 72', includes 19' rise in bank).

Tentative text and zoning maps may be examined in the Township Office, 2090 Viking Way, during regular business hours.

Correspondence concerning the request should be directed to: Grayling Township, P.O. Box 521, Grayling, MI 49738. Telephone: (517) 348-4361.

Monica S. Ashton
Township Clerk

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LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION SCHOOL ELECTION

NOTICE OF LAST DAY OF REGISTRATION OF THE ELECTORS OF CRAWFORD AUSABLE SCHOOL DISTRICT CRAWFORD, OTSEGO AND KALKASKA COUNTIES, MICHIGAN

TO THE ELECTORS OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT:

Please Take Notice that the regular school election of the school district will be held on Monday, June 14, 1999.

THE LAST DAY ON WHICH PERSONS MAY REGISTER IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION CALLED TO BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 14, 1999, IS MONDAY, MAY 17, 1999. PERSONS REGISTERING AFTER 5 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING ON MONDAY, MAY 17, 1999, ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO VOTE AT THE REGULAR SCHOOL ELECTION.

To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office or your county, city or township clerk's office. Persons planning to register with the respective county, city or township clerks must ascertain the locations on which the clerks' offices are open for registration.

This Notice is given by order of the board.

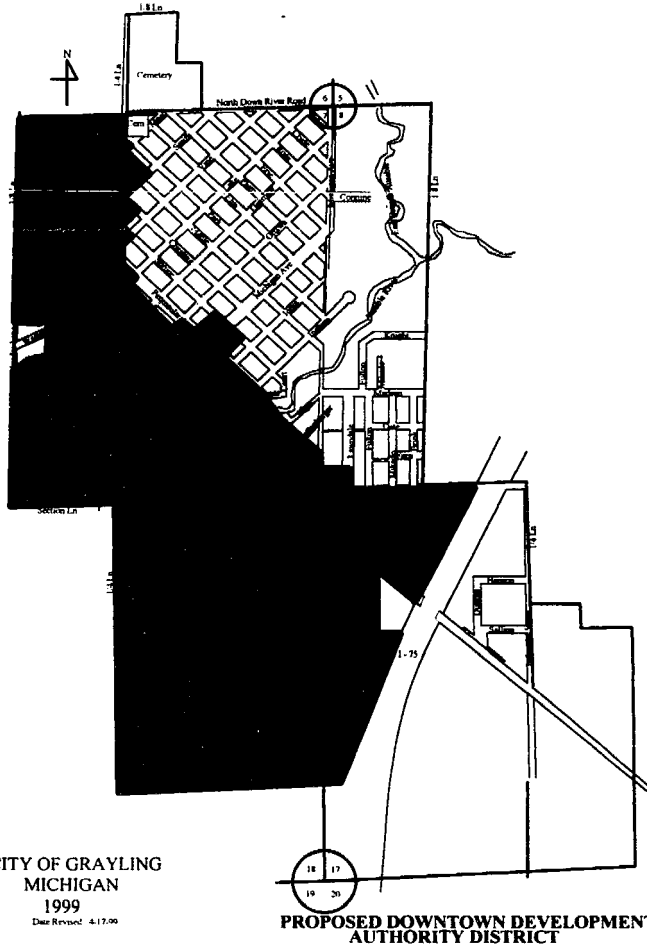
Karl A Schreiner
Secretary, Board of Education

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CITY OF GRAYLING NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of the City of Grayling will hold a public hearing at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 24, 1999 at the Crawford-AuSable Middle School, 500 Spruce Street, Grayling, Michigan 49738, to consider the adoption of an ordinance establishing a Downtown Development Authority for the City of Grayling pursuant to Act 197 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1975, as amended.

The proposed boundaries of the downtown district in which the Downtown Development Authority will exercise its powers are generally described as follows and shown on the map below:



Downtown Development Authority Boundary Description City of Grayling, Michigan

The properties described below shall constitute the Grayling Downtown Development Authority District:

Parcel A:

The portion of Section 17, T26N, R3W lying Northwest of the Western Right of Way line of Interstate 75 Highway except:

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W, thence South 01 degrees 53 minutes West along the section line 692.75 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 130 feet; thence South 01 degrees 53 minutes West 423.25 feet; thence S 88 degrees 07 minutes East 499.5 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence North 01 degrees 53 minutes W 113.59 feet; thence South 45 degrees 49 minutes East along the Right of Way of PCRR 767.6 feet; thence South 27 degrees 23 minutes 30 seconds West along the westerly Right of Way of I-75 240 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes W 397.96 feet; thence North 01 degrees 53 minutes East 620.52 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes West 66.0 feet to Point of Beginning; and excepting

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W; thence South 0 degree 51 minutes 10 seconds West 1182 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 629.5 feet; thence South 1 degree 53 minutes 54 seconds West 554.42 feet to Point of Beginning; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 463.72 feet; thence South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 329.28 feet; thence North 62 degrees 40 minutes 42 seconds West 225.04 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes West 118.74 feet; thence North 1 degree 47 minutes 28 seconds East 200.69 feet to Point of Beginning; and excepting

Commencing at the Northwest corner of Section 17, T26N, R3W; thence South 0 degree 51 minutes 10 seconds West 1182 feet; thence North 88 degrees 07 minutes East 629.5 feet; thence South 1 degree 53 minutes 54 seconds West 554.42 feet; thence South 88 degrees 07 minutes East 463.72 feet; thence South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 329.28 feet to Point of Beginning; thence continuing South 27 degrees 19 minutes 18 seconds West 275 feet; thence North 88 degrees 6 minutes 59 seconds West 203.28 feet; thence North 1 degree 47 minutes 28 seconds East 345 feet; thence South 88 degrees 7 minutes East 118.74 feet; thence South 62 degrees 40 minutes 42 seconds East 225.04 feet to Point of Beginning.

Parcel B:

The East 1/2 of Section 18, T26N, R3W lying north of the South 1/8th line of said section.

Parcel C:

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W lying between the West 1/8th line and south of the Northern Right of Way line of the Lake State Railroad, except Lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 20, 21, 22, 23, Parcel B and the South 1/2 of Parcel A of Green Timbers Subdivision.

Parcel D:

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W lying west of the Eastern Right of Way line of Business Loop I-75 and North of the Southern Right of Way line of M-72 highway; and

That portion of Section 7, T26N, R3W, beginning at the Southeast corner of Section 7, T26N, R3W, thence north to the intersection of the Centerline of Oliver Street; thence northerly along said centerline to the North line of the AuSable River; thence westerly along said North line of the AuSable River to the North Right of Way line of the Lake States Railroad; thence southerly along said Lake States Railroad Right of Way line to the South line of Section 7, T26N, R8W; thence east to the Point of Beginning; and

That part of the Original Plat of the City of Grayling located south of the centerline of Peninsula Street extended to the North line of the AuSable River and north of the North Right of Way line of the Lake State Railroad, and south of Lake Street, except lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 of Block 3 and except lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Block 14; and

That portion of lots 1, 2, 3, 10, 11 and 12 of Block 11, and lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 of Block 20 and the adjacent portion of Spruce Street, in the Original Plat of the City of Grayling; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling lying northwest of lots 6 and 7, Block 27; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling known as lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 of Block 27 and all of Block 31 of the City of Grayling; and

That portion of the Roffee's Addition to the City of Grayling known as lots 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 of Block 32 of the City of Grayling; and

Parcel C and Block 10 of the original Plat of the City of Grayling.

Parcel E:

That part of Section 8, T26N, R3W known as Lot 1 of Martha M. Brink's Addition to the City of Grayling.

All aspects of the establishment of the Downtown Development Authority and the boundaries of the downtown district will be open for discussion at the public hearing. The City Council will provide an opportunity for interested persons to speak and be heard and shall receive and consider communications in writing with reference thereto. The proposed Ordinance establishing the Authority and designating the boundaries of the downtown district is on file with the City Clerk and available for public inspection.

Jerry Morford
City Clerk

FEATURES

HOROSCOPES

For The Week Of May 16-22

- Aries**
March 21-April 20

Group demands may take center stage. You'll be able to accomplish a lot that way, but there are times it's better to work alone. Try to resolve a dispute and find common ground in order to keep things moving. Watch finances and finish up paperwork.
- Taurus**
April 21-May 21

Things will come into clearer focus. You'll know who your supporters are and who really opposes you. Patience and humor will bring people in authority around to your side. You may need to step back and study the situation for a while before making your next move.
- Gemini**
May 22-June 21

Now is the time to make big plans and dream big dreams. Don't worry if they seem impractical or far-fetched—some just may come true. Learn from the past. Keep in touch with a friend or family member who might be ill or confined.
- Cancer**
June 22-July 22

Get an outline and establish a deadline in order to make sure an important task gets finished. This will increase your accomplishments and keep you in the spotlight. It may be a good time to try something different. Keep your health and exercise resolutions.
- Leo**
July 23-August 23

People working behind the scenes may try to thwart your plans. Make sure you have all the facts and figures to counter them and make a case for your actions. You may need to cut costs and stick closer to a budget. Make sure you take time out for yourself.
- Virgo**
August 24-September 22

Personal and professional responsibilities increase and you may start to feel overwhelmed. Take a deep breath and plunge ahead. You'll get your confidence back and be ready for anything. Don't let expenses get away from you. Pay attention to the details.
- Libra**
September 23-October 23

Conflicting thoughts and emotions have to be answered. It may be best to go back to your old way of doing things for a while. An unpleasant or time-consuming task still needs to be done. After that's out of the way, relax with friends or loved ones.
- Scorpio**
October 24-November 22

Start lining up powerful allies. Make sure you spell out for them the benefits and risks involved. Being up-front and truthful now saves bad feelings later. You're in the middle of a difficult situation, but you're up to the challenge. You'll get a surprise boost.
- Sagittarius**
November 23-December 21

Focus on current situations and solutions. Refuse to get drawn into the middle of a fight that really doesn't involve you. Do your research—the answer you want is in the details. Work hard at keeping promises to others. Remember that patience pays in the long run.
- Capricorn**
December 22-January 20

Keep a close rein on finances, budgets and money. You may be tempted to go overboard, but check to see what it could mean in the long run. Finish up existing projects before starting new ones. Take some time for yourself, even if it's just a few hours.
- Aquarius**
January 21-February 18

Set a slow and steady pace for best results. This could be a good time to make decisions concerning long-range plans. Try new things and consider other viewpoints. Someone who has supported you in the past needs the favor returned.
- Pisces**
February 19-March 20

Your actions speak louder than your words. Others will be watching closely. Stay calm and controlled for the best results. Don't be intimidated by a deadline. You'll make it with time to spare. Get all the information you can before making a costly decision.

For Entertainment Purposes Only

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Breakfast Banana Split

- 1 small Banana
1 container (4.4 oz.) kid pack wild strawberry lowfat yogurt, or any flavor
1/2 cup alpha-bits
frost letter oat & corn cereal
1/4 cup each halved seedless grapes & sliced strawberries

Preparation: Peel and split banana length-

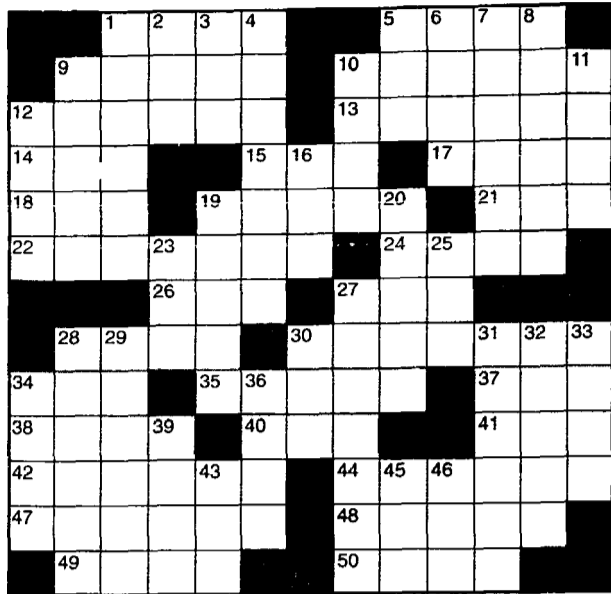
wise. Place in sundae dish or cereal bowl. Top with yogurt. Sprinkle with cereal and fruit. Serve immediately. Makes one serving.

Nutrition Bonus: This recipe is low fat (2.5g) and provides 15 percent daily value of calcium and 40 percent daily value of vitamin C per serving.



HOME NEEDED - Female, Husky mix spayed and house-broken. 11 months old, active, has one blue eye and one brown eye. To adopt any of the pets available, stop by or give the Animal Shelter of Crawford County a call at 348-4117.

CROSSWORD



ACROSS

- Arm bone
- Match
- Turned loose
- Baby grands
- River in Nebraska
- Garb
- Kin of John and Giovanni
- For each
- Hydrant hookup
- V preceders
- Wagered amount
- Nantes name
- Battery's partner in crime
- Highland miss
- _____ West
- Charlie Parker's jazz style
- Food fish
- Initiatory rite
- Bleating sound
- Avoid
- "_____ Less Bell To Answer"
- Calm before the storm
- Frittata ingredient
- Thirty Years' or Six-Day
- Military command (2 wds.)
- Put in a zoo compartment
- Demi Moore's Scarlet Letter role
- Pours
- Ragoût, e.g.
- Resorts

DOWN

- Father of the Titans
- Give the go-ahead
- After expenses
- With great skill
- Jot
- Courtroom pledge
- SAG and IWW
- Midsections
- London pads
- Hyde, e.g.
- "Things are seldom what they _____"
- Tipped tower town
- Break bread
- "Blue _____ Shoes"
- Marry in haste
- Alias initials
- Very likely
- Harasses
- Pan fries
- Most healthy
- Annoy, slangily
- Inhabitants of the Hawkeye State
- Catches
- Parisian parent
- Mundane
- Look lustfully
- Former
- Suture
- Toddler's time-out
- Gp. based in VA

ANSWERS IN CLASSIFIEDS

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 Years Ago May 13, 1976

Practically everything ceased in Grayling last Wednesday about 12:30 p.m. when lightning struck three high tension lines about six miles south of the city and blacked out the city until about 10 p.m. About 6 p.m. the outage affected the electric well pumps to the water tank and it went dry leaving the city without water.

A series of incidents involving working Bear Archery employees led officials at the company to offer a \$500 reward for information leading to the apprehension of the person(s) responsible for the vandalism and harassment.

The annual clean-up day on the AuSable River will be held May 16 by a group of 50-60 concerned state scuba divers.

Summer Guard training will run from June 5 through August 28 with a total of 30,626 using the facilities of Camp Grayling. According to Col. Edmund Rutkowski, Camp Commander, this year's total is the largest in recent years to use the facilities, with the largest group here in August when the Michigan and Indiana Guard units will combine for a total of 11,684.

Bill and Lois LaGrow announced this week the sale of Bill's Laundry and Dry Cleaners to Mike and Sandy Fleming of Grayling.

Under a bill introduced by State Rep. Ralph Ostling of Roscommon the DNR will have the authority to regulate canoe traffic on certain rivers if the bill is signed into law. "In view of the fact that many of our beautiful rivers in northern Michigan have become crowded by canoes, it has become necessary to place some type of regulation on these rivers," Ostling said.

The Kirtland Warbler has been named as the state's official

Bicentennial Bird.

The Vikings followed their opening 12-2 win over Mio with a 3-2 win over the defending league champions, the Gaylord Blue Devils. Coaching the varsity team is Warren Hayes. There are eight juniors: Dan Bonami, Jim Filbird, Alan Johnston, Mike Money, Steve Olsen, Marty O'Mara, Will Roach and Mike Weaver. The eight seniors are: Gary Fox, Tom Haskel, Craig Hinkle, Scott Hanson, Brian Hulbert, Ron Latuszek, Scott Montague, and Dan Walker.

46 Years Ago May 14, 1953

Mrs. Harry Souders is a new employee at Davis Jewelry.

Fourteen boys were guests at a surprise 12th birthday party for Larry LaGrow at his home last week. Supper was enjoyed and Larry treated his friends to the show at the Rialto Theater.

Joseph Stripe, principal of GHS attended a conference in Gaylord last week. Miss Wanda Mikrut, home economics teacher attended a homemaking meeting.

Dr. & Mrs. C.R. Keyport and Dr. and Mrs. B. Elmore Henig are in attendance at the Wayne University College of Medicine Alumni day.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Nielson and boys spent the weekend in Detroit with relatives and while there saw Cinerama.

69 Years Ago May 15, 1930

Forest fire of uncertain origin started near the Gosling Club House on the AuSable River at noon Sunday and swept in a northwesterly direction, burning a strip about five miles in length and two to four miles wide. Henry Stephan, who lives in the vicinity of the fire says that timber that has been growing

for 30 years was wiped out within an hour. Scores of men fought the fire all day and only a heavy down-pour of rain at midnight made it possible to extinguish it.

The population of the city is 1,973 as compared with the 1920 figure of 2,450. Crawford County has lost 1/4 of its 1920 population in the last ten years.

H. C. Schmidt seems to have been the champion fisherman as to size, having landed an 18.5 inch speckled beauty that weighed 2.5 pounds.

Miss Maxene Collens is moving her beauty parlor business from the Burke apartments to the building opposite the county jail.

Harry Hemmingson is driving a new Durant Six coach, Wesley LaGrow, a new Ford sedan and A.J. Nelson, a Chevrolet coupe.

According to the reports coming into the Log Office of the E.M.T.A., it will emphatically be a big tourist year.

Mrs. Albert Knibbs entertained nine little girls at her home Wednesday to honor her daughter, Alberta, on her ninth birthday.

92 Years Ago May 16, 1907

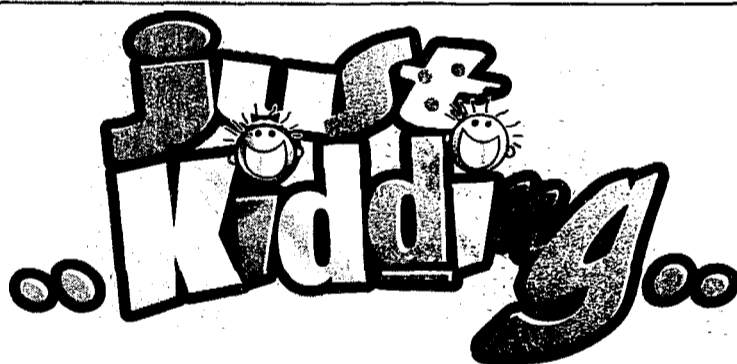
Grayling boys will get to the front. The latest is Emil Hanson, a graduate of our high school, who has taken a lucrative position with the Buhl Stamping Co. of Detroit.

Everybody in Beaver Creek is getting their oats in before it snows again.

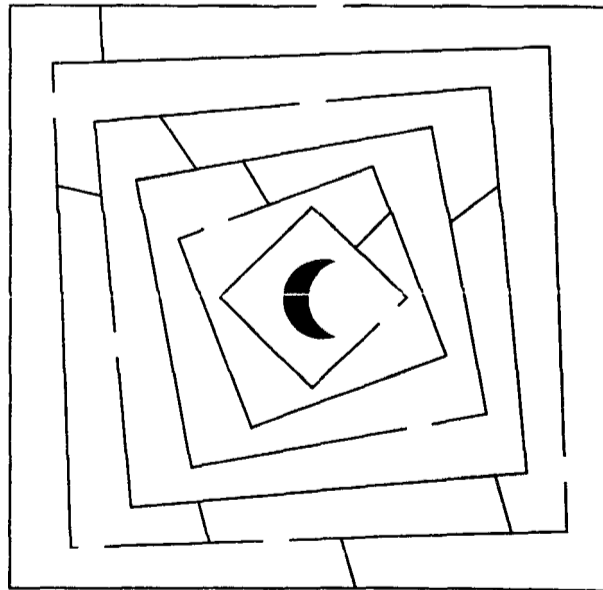
Hans Christenson of Beaver Creek drives one of the noblest rigs in the township, as far as horse flesh and a buggy are concerned.

Timber thieves better watch out. A fellow from Roscommon got six months at Ionia for stealing from state lands.

Mr. Charron of Maple Forest drove out here the other day and sold to M. Poquette and George Annis an Empire cream separator.



Find the moon. Start Here ↓



WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling



Date	H	L	8 a.m.	Rain
5/5	80	44	50	
5/6	82	50	60	Trace
5/7	75	51	55	0.33"
5/8	65	53	53	0.05"
5/9	55	33	35	0.27"
5/10	57	29	36	
5/11	70	32	37	

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord:
Thursday - dry with a high around 70. Friday - dry with a low in the mid 40's and a high of 70-75. Saturday - chance of showers and thunderstorms with a low in the upper 40's and a high in the mid 70's.

ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Crawford County Avalanche

Classifieds must be paid for in advance

Display Advertising Rate - \$5.75 per column inch
Deadline for Display Classifieds - 12 noon, Monday
Classifieds by the word rate - \$4.00 for 15 words or less, 10¢ per each additional word; includes Internet listing:
www.townnews.com/avalanche/
Classified by the word deadline - 12 noon, Tuesday



1. Real Estate

AUSABLE RIVER FRONT LOT near McMasters Bridge 200' frontage \$75,000. Call (740) 797-2801. (LR7/15/99/1)

MANY NORTHERN MICHIGAN PROPERTIES www.century21grayling.com (1/7/99tf/1)

120 MICHIGAN AVENUE Conveniently located downtown, ample parking on street, front and back. Could be used as two offices or as its current status of one larger office. Great traffic flow, adjoining building-Riverland Photo. Call Century 21 River Country Real Estate at (517) 348-5474 or www.century21grayling.com. Listing # 4259 (-6-13/1)

1. Real Estate

610 S. OAK ROAD Lovely brick and cedar sided home across from Fox Run Country Club. This home must be visited to appreciate. Features include, circle drive, large open floor plan with see through fireplace, 10' ceilings and mirrored wet bar. Call Century 21 River Country Real Estate at (517) 348-5474 or www.century21grayling.com. Listing # 4361 (-6-13/1)

I BUY HOUSE and land contracts. Pay cash. Quick closings. Are you facing foreclosure? Divorce? Leaving the area? Don't ruin your credit. Call Peninsula Funding 1-800-641-1717. (3/11/99tf/1)

1. Real Estate

NEAR GRAYLING Two story chalet with 2 1/2 acres wooded, gas furnace, three bedroom, two bath. Large three car garage. \$69,500 cash terms possible, negotiable. Call (517) 348-7210. (-13-20/1)

AUSABLE MAINSTREAM LAND Terrific riverfront building property. Good investment possibilities. Hal, broker (517) 348-5965 (4/22/99tf/1)

NEW AUSABLE COUNTRY ACRES Log home association development. Electric, cable, park, 1/2 acre building sites starting at \$10,500. ACA (517) 348-7355. (4/22/99tf/1)

1. Real Estate

BY OWNER 2,200 sq. feet, four bedroom brick ranch on river. Two miles from town. \$165,000 (517) 348-2928 (-5/6/99tf/1)

NEW LISTING Two bedroom home/cabin near Kneff Lake. Fireplace timberline insert. Garage all on 2 1/2 acres priced right. \$42,900 Branch Realty (517) 821-9615, ask for Walsh Jevicks, home phone (517) 821-6353. (-13/1)

2. For Rent

NICE, CLEAN TWO BEDROOM home with washer/dryer, appliances, natural gas and cable available. \$390 month and deposit, no pets. (517) 348-2418 (-13/2)

CLEAN TWO BEDROOM with shed \$350 month. Security deposit required. References required, no pets. (517) 348-8386 (-22-29-6-13/2)

2. For Rent

MAKE ARBOR COURT APARTMENTS your new home. Large two bedroom apartments. Maximum income level of \$17,040, rent is based on income for two person household. A barrier free unit is also available. Call Vicky at 517-348-6399 for more information. Equal Housing Opportunity. Professionally managed by Kathy Richards, Inc. and financed by Rural Development (021502010) (3/19/98tf/2)

CLEAN TWO BEDROOM home with garage, close to town. \$400 month, security deposit required. References required. No pets. (517) 348-8386 (-22-29-6-13/2)

TWO COMMERCIAL SPACES for lease. North Business Loop. 1,100 square feet main floor, 650 square feet basement. For information (517) 348-8922. (4/8/99tf/2)

2. For Rent



FOR RENT Two bedroom house in town \$475 plus utilities. \$500 deposit. Call (517) 348-8922 (4/22/99tf/2)

FOR RENT Office building 1,000, 2,000, or 3,000 sq. ft. Available, M-72 West. Call Randy (517) 348-5474. (1/7/99tf/2)

TWO BEDROOM MOBILE HOME for rent. Inquire Timberly Village Mobile Park. Old 27 North, Grayling. (4/15/99tf/2)

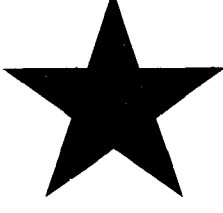
NEW THREE BEDROOM, two bath home, Lake Margrethe. Non smoking only, no pets. \$600 per month plus security, references. Available 6-1-99. (517) 348-8627 (5/6/99tf/2)

NICE FOUR BEDROOM, two bath home on Dawn Dr. \$675 month plus security deposit. Please call (517) 886-3996. (-13-20/2)

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8. Announcements

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6. Wanted

WANTED USED PIANO (517) 348-3203 (-29-6-13/6)

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8. Announcements

PLEASE REMEMBER to support your American Legion Aux. Poppy Sale. May 13-14-15. American Legion Post 106. (-13/8)

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8. Announcements

STAMPEDE will be playing at the Sawmill May 14 and 15. 9-1. (-13/8)

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10. Garage Sales

GARAGE/CRAFT SALE Some antiques, camper top, clothes dryer, two caned arm chairs, little of everything. Friday/Saturday, May 14, 15, 8:30-? 6152 Sam Rd. Cancelled if rain. (-13/10)

COMPUTER/GARAGE SALE Computers, parts and other household items. All computers working, ready to go. Friday-Saturday, 14-15. 734 Airport Rd., by Mt. Hope Church, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. (517) 344-8011 (-13/10)

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10. Garage Sales

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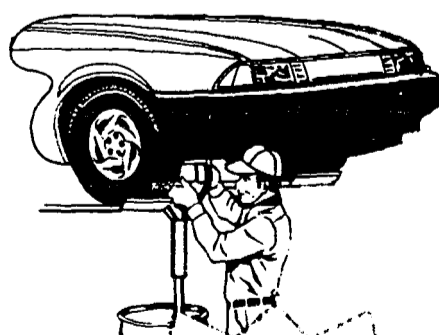
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